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THE
AUCHINLECK CHRONICLE.

M.CCCC.XXXVI.—M.CCCC.LX.—I.



The Auchinleck Chronicle:

ANE SCHORT MEMORIALE OF THE
SCOTTIS CORNIKLIS FOR ADDICIOUN.

TO WHICH IS ADDED

A SHORT CHRONICLE OF THE REIGN OF JAMES
THE SECOND KING OF SCOTS.

M.CCCC.XXXVI.—M.CCCC.LX —I.

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Introductory Notice.

HE "Auchinleck Chronicle" was edited and printed by Thomas Thomson, Esquire, Deputy Clerk Register, more than half a century ago, for private circulation, but very few copies of it were issued at the time, Mr. Thomson intending to add Notes and Illustrations to it before distributing it. This intention Mr. Thomson did not carry into effect, and the whole remaining impression was sold after his death.

In a communication submitted to the Members of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland, at their Meeting held on 8th January 1877, by David Laing, Esq., entitled, "INQUIRIES RESPECTING SOME OF THE EARLY HISTORICAL WRITERS OF SCOTLAND," printed in Vol. 12, pp. 72-87 of the Society's Proceedings, he gives the following account of this Chronicle, viz.:—"This short Chronicle of an obscure period of Scottish history was printed and edited by Thomas Thomson, Esq., Advocate, about the year 1817 or 1818, for private circulation. Very few copies, however, were distributed by Mr. Thomson, as he purposed to subjoin notes and illustrations, but this intention never was fulfilled. In the manuscript from which it was taken, it has the following titles:—'Ane Addicioun of Scottis Corniklis and Deidis,' and 'Heir followis ane schort Memoriale of the Scottis Corniklis for addicioun.'

"In the printed text of the Chronicle this ends on page 28, when the Editor entitles it, 'A short Chronicle of the Reign of James the Second, King of Scots,' and says:—'The historical fragment which forms the first part of this collection has been given with a scrupulous adherence to the original manuscript, not only in the inartificial and apparently accidental arrangement of events, but also in the errors of fact and of date, as well as in those of transcription which it exhibits. In that which follows, the same materials, with a few unimportant omissions, have been disposed somewhat more exactly in the order of

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time ; some of the erroneous dates and accidental mistakes of transcription have been rectified,' &c.

" From this arrangement it appears that the Chronicle extends from the year 1436 to 1460-1. It is usually called the Auchinleck Chronicle, from the circumstance that the MS. volume from which it was printed belonged to the Library at Auchinleck, Ayrshire.

" This manuscript is a large folio volume, written on paper, consisting of miscellaneous pieces in Prose and Verse, collected and transcribed from MS. and printed copies towards the close of the reign of James the Fourth, or before the year 1514, by John Asloan, who appears to have been a Writer or Notary at Edinburgh. According to a 'Table of Contentis of the Buke,' on the first leaf of the volume, numbered from cap. i. to lxxi., this Chronicle formed number xviii. of the collection. Most unfortunately the volume itself is defective of no less than thirty-four of these numbers, and these, for the most part, cannot otherwise be supplied. The transcriber, at the end of each article, besides the name of the author when known, usually adds this attestation, ' Explicit per M. Jo. Asloan,' or ' Scriptum per Manum Johannis Asloan.' That he uses ' M.' not in its usual signification as *Magister* is certain, as in another place he gives the attestation in the vernacular words, thus—' Written be the hand (per manum) of John Asloan.' This, however, is a matter of no great moment.

" The early history of Asloan's manuscript is not known. On the fly-leaf is the autograph signature, ' Alex. Boswell, 1730,' indicating the time when it came into his possession, no doubt in its very mutilated state.

" I do not recollect having seen Asloan's manuscript in its original state. It was brought to Edinburgh early in the present century by Sir Alexander Boswell, when the leaves were inlaid by a skilful person employed on such work, and bound in the General Register House under the superintendence of Thomas Thomson, Esq., Deputy Clerk Register. The manuscript, along with some others from the same library, remained in Mr. Thomson's hands for many years, until they were reclaimed by the late Mr. James A. Maconochie, Advocate, as one of the Trustees of Sir Alexander's son, the late Sir James Boswell, Bart.

" Alexander Boswell, Esq. of Auchinleck, was the representative of an ancient family of that name : he passed as advocate at the Scottish Bar, 29th December 1729 ; was raised to the Bench, and took his seat 15th February 1754 by the title of Lord Auchinleck, and died 25th August 1782, aged 76. His son James, the well-known biographer of Dr. Johnson, died in 1795, leaving two sons, both of whom were eminent as literary characters.

" The eldest son, Alexander, born in 1775, was created a Baronet in 1820, and was killed in an unfortunate duel 25th March 1822. The second son, James Boswell, a barrister-at-law in the Temple, is known as editor of Malone's important edition of the ' Plays and Poems of Shakespeare,' in 21 vols. The

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advertisement is dated ‘Temple, May 1821.’ Mr. Boswell died about eight months after.

“To return to the Chronicle, it was undoubtedly the work of an unknown author who flourished in the Reign of King James the Second. From the title ‘for Addicione,’ we might infer that the original had been written on the margin of some special Scotichronicon. Asloan, who transcribed it, could not have the slightest claim to be considered the author. It has, like Law’s Manuscript, (No. II.),* obtained some notoriety from its containing a passage relating to the Johnstones of Annandale, and was formerly (in 1841) produced as evidence in a Peerage case not yet determined.”

Mr. James Allan Maconochie, Advocate, Sheriff of Orkney and Shetland, “a well-known book collector,” died at his house, 122 Princes Street, Edinburgh, on Tuesday the 25th February 1845, aged 56 years. His Library was sold by Mr. Peter Scott Fraser, in his Rooms, 97 George Street, Edinburgh, on Friday the 6th June 1845, and four following lawful days. In the Advertisement of the Sale, while the names of various Books are enumerated, no “MANUSCRIPTS” whatever were mentioned as being to be sold.

As respects the “ASLOAN MANUSCRIPT,” commonly called the “Auchinleck Chronicle,” the following particulars are extracted from the “Minutes of the Evidence adduced to the House of Lords in the claim of Sir Frederic John William Johnstone, Bart., to the Earldom of Annandale, 21st July 1876,” viz. :--

Mr. WILLIAM PATERSON was called in ; and having been sworn, was examined as follows :

(*Mr. Fleming.*) I believe you are a bookseller in Edinburgh ?

Yes, I am.

Did you at any time purchase a certain book called the Auchinleck Chronicle
I did.

Is that chronicle now in your possession ?

It is.

It is your property ?

It is.

* LAW’S MANUSCRIPT.—“De Cronicis Scotorum Brevia, 1521.” Mr. Laing remarks that “This Manuscript, which is preserved in the University Library, Edinburgh, is in a small hand, filled with contractions, was found to contain some particulars relating to a conflict between the Johnstones and the Douglasses in the year 1455 ; and the Volume was to have been produced in evidence in the Annandale Peerage Case, had not the death of Sir George Frederic Johnstone of Westerhall, in May 1841, put a stop to all immediate proceedings in that claim.”

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Did you acquire it as a bookseller in the ordinary course of your business ?
I did.

From whom did you purchase it ?

From Mr. Peter S. Fraser, a well-known citizen of Edinburgh, in the year 1867.

Was he also a bookseller ?

At one time he was a bookseller. Afterwards, he was an auctioneer ; and latterly, I think he was an insurance agent.

Was there a sale of the library of a Mr. Maconochie about the year 1845 ?
There was, I believe, in 1845.

Was Mr. Fraser employed to sell the library of Mr. Maconochie in 1845 ?

I had the curiosity lately to turn to the *Scotsman* newspaper of that time, and I found that it was recorded there that he had sold that library. That is all I can say.

Is it within your knowledge that Mr. Fraser had this book ?

Yes, I know that Mr. Fraser had this book when I bought it ; but it is not within my knowledge that he had it previously.

It was from Mr. Fraser that you bought it, as you have told us, in the ordinary course of your business ?

Yes.

And you now produce it ?

I have it here (*producing a volume*).

Then DAVID LAING, Esquire, was called in ; and having been sworn, was examined as follows :

(*Mr. Fleming.*) I believe you are a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland ?

I am.

And I believe you are Keeper of the Library of the Writers to the Signet at Edinburgh ?

I am.

How long have you been interested in antiquarian research ?

For at least half a century.

Were you acquainted with the late Mr. Thomas Thomson ?

Perfectly.

Did he hold any office in Scotland ?

He was Deputy Clerk Register for nearly forty years.

Was he employed by the Government in any manner in connection with the Records of Scotland ?

Certainly ; that was his appointment. He had the entire arrangement of

the Records, and their publication, and he had many persons employed under him to assist him. One of his great works was the edition of the Acts of the Parliaments of Scotland, extending to several large folio volumes.

Had he for the purpose of compiling that book many private records and documents in his possession?

He had, from all quarters; from noblemen and private parties. They were in his charge in the Public Record Office in the General Register House, and some in his own library.

He obtained them from all quarters?

He had the free use of them.

They were placed in his hands by various noblemen and gentlemen from their charter chests?

Yes, certainly.

Was he considered a person of authority in historical matters?

He was looked upon as the principal man in that department in Scotland at the time. He was very judicious, and very intelligent and learned, but it was thought rather dilatory in getting work through his hands.

Did you see in his possession this book called the Auchinleck Chronicle (*the volume produced by the last witness being shown to the witness*)?

I had frequent occasion to see the book, and I made a list of its varied contents in prose and verse. There is no date to this list which I have here, but it was made before 1821. As I understood there was some doubts about whether this was the original manuscript from which Mr. Thomson had printed the Chronicle, I brought up for the purpose of proving it a list of the contents that I myself made; this must have been before 1821, as it is marked "In the possession of Alexander Boswell, Esq., of Auchinleck," and he was created a Baronet in that year.

Is this the book that you saw in the possession of Mr. Thomson?

Undoubtedly it is, because I can verify it by this list.

Irrespective of that, have you any doubt that it is the same?

Irrespective of that, I have no doubt whatever.

It is the book that you saw in Mr. Thomson's possession?

It is the book I often saw in his possession, sometimes in his own house and sometimes in the Register House, and I have copied many articles from it. Amongst other things, Mr. Thomson printed that Chronicle, and Sir Alexander Boswell, the proprietor, also printed other portions from it in a separate form for private distribution. There was a select society set agoing in Edinburgh called the Bannatyne Club, of which Sir Walter Scott was the founder and president, and Mr. Thomson the vice-president, for printing books connected with the history and literature of Scotland.

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Did you make on such occasions any examination of this book ?

I had occasion to do so. I was just going to mention that the object of the club was to print books for the members, not for sale, and Sir Walter Scott insisted that I should act as secretary. The club was carried on for upwards of forty years ; and here is a catalogue (*producing a volume*) of all the books they published. One of the first books they printed and circulated, in 1823, for that club was one from that manuscript that I contributed myself, having got the use of a transcript from Mr. Thomson of a very obscure poem called the Buok of the Howlat. This list of the books was published in 1876 after the club was dissolved.

Was the Auchinleck Chronicle one of them ?

No ; it had previously been printed.

At what date was the copy of the Historical Fragment of the Reign of James the Second, contained in this book, first printed ?

I cannot exactly say in what year it was printed ; but it was printed privately, and as Mr. Thomson never finished the book in the way he intended, he only circulated and gave away some copies, of which I got one from himself in 1819. He also gave me an engraved facsimile of one of the pages of that Chronicle (*producing a paper*).

Is this a facsimile of one of the pages of the Chronicle which was published at that time ?

It was made for the Chronicle, but it was never circulated. That, as I have said, was before 1819.

Are you satisfied that the published copy thoroughly agreed with the original ?

I had occasion to compare it, and I found nothing to correct in it. I compared it both then and at subsequent times.

Do you know how Mr. Thomson obtained this book or from whom he obtained it ?

Yes ; he obtained it on loan with other Manuscripts from Sir Alexander Boswell, Baronet.

Is Sir Alexander Boswell's name on the book ?

No ; but it had been acquired by his grandfather, one of the Lords of Session, of the same name of Alexander Boswell. He had acquired it in March 1730 ; according to the date (*pointing to a page of the volume.*)

Do you know that handwriting ?

Yes, I have it frequently before me.

Do you know this writing to be the writing of Sir Alexander Boswell ?

No ; I refer to Alexander Boswell the Lord of Session, known as Lord Auchinleck, and whose name appears in this book.

Alexander Boswell's name with the date of March 1730 is in the first page of the book ?

Yes.

And you know that to be his writing ?

Yes, I do.

Do you know how this book became bound in this manner ?

It was bound in this way before I saw it. I never saw the book in its original state ; before I saw it it had been put into Mr. Thomson's hands for the work he was engaged upon in connection with the Public Records. It was bound in the same way at that time, and in that state it remained in Mr. Thomson's possession for a very long while.

Is the writing of the whole book or almost all of it in one hand ?

It is all in one hand throughout the whole book, except, perhaps, one or two leaves which are of no importance.

Those do not affect this Chronicle of the reign of James II. ?

No, not at all.

In this book do you find a writing entitled "A short Chronicle of Scottish Events" ?

Yes ; here it is : "Here follows a short memorial of the Scottis Cornikles for additioun"—that means to enlarge the chronicles of the time.

That chronicle has been in the book ever since you have known the book ?

Undoubtedly. It forms No. 18 of the original contents. I see here "Item ane tractate drawn out of the Scottis Chronicles ;" "Item ane tractate of the Kings of Scotland beginning" so and so ; and one of those items is "An Addition to the Scottis Chronicles," and then there are the different contents.

Do you know what person is supposed to be the writer of this volume ?

John Asloan ; his name appears in various parts of the book.

Are several of the writings signed by him ?

Yes, they are ; here is one (*pointing to a page in the volume*).

They are all in the same handwriting ?

Yes ; they are all in the handwriting of John Asloan.

Do you know what position Mr. Asloan held ?

I did not know ; but I brought a volume which perhaps will show who he was. At the sale of the library of Mr. George Chalmers, the author of "Caledonia," which was sold upon his nephew's death in 1842, amongst other manuscripts that I purchased were his "Collections for a History of Scottish Poetry ;" amongst these collections there were various transcripts which I had bound up some years ago, containing a minute description of the Asloan manuscript, with transcripts of portions of it, which I have here (*producing the same*). Here they begin (*pointing to Chalmers' Collections*) : "The Scottis Chronicles, " written in the early part of James V. reign," and so on.

Does he say anything about the position of the writer?

Yes, here it is at the end ; it is very legible : "There was a person of the name of John Asloan, who was a procurator or advocate in the reign of James IV., and he was no doubt the compiler of the manuscript. On the 5th of February 1494-5, before the Lords of Council at Linlithgow, John Asloan appeared as procurator for 'certain persons,' and protested that they 'having been summoned at the instance of Lord Herries of Terregles,' and so forth. Mr. Asloan appeared for them as a procurator in 1494-5. Then there are some further facts about him.

What you are reading from is a book in the handwriting of Mr. Chalmers?

It is ; I bought it on the death of Mr. James Chalmers, a nephew of George Chalmers.

You are acquainted with the writing?

Yes. I am perfectly acquainted with the writing both of Mr. Chalmers and his nephew, who was his assistant in his various publications. George Chalmers was the author of the important and well-known work called "Caledonia."

Have you carefully examined this manuscript, purporting to be a short chronicle of the events of the reign of James II.?

I have.

What is your opinion as to the date of the writing?

The date of the writing is very clear, about the end of James the Fourth's reign, that is at least sixty years after the last date in the Chronicle.

After the events mentioned in the Chronicle?

Yes, after the events mentioned.

But you are of opinion that it is writing of the latter end of James the Fourth's reign?

Undoubtedly.

What is your opinion as to the authenticity of the book?

From looking at this Chronicle it appears to be a genuine collection of notes. I have never examined it historically, but it appears to be a genuine collection of additions to the ordinary Chronicles of Scotland which were then circulated. The materials for the reign of James II. are very scanty, and therefore this has always been regarded as a work of importance.

It has been known for a considerable time?

Yes ; it has been known at least since early in this century.

And the writing which you have referred to on the first page of the book is that of Alexander Boswell in 1730?

Yes.

You saw this Chronicle in the hands of Mr. Thomson?

I did, very often.

Do you know what became of it afterwards?

I happen to know that this and some other manuscripts, of which Mr. Thomson had a loan from the Auchinleck Library were, I cannot say in what year, claimed back by one of Sir Alexander Boswell's executors, Mr. James A. Macconochie, an advocate, and they remained apparently in his possession until his death, and had not been sent back to Auchinleck.

From Mr. Thomson's possession this book went into Mr. Maconochie's?

Yes; he claimed this and other books as an executor of Sir Alexander Boswell.

You have no doubt that this is the very book that you saw with Mr. Thomson? I can have no doubt of it.

Do you know as a fact that Mr. Peter Fraser sold Mr. Maconochie's books?

I know that after Mr. Maconochie's death his books were sold by auction by Mr. Peter Fraser.

After Mr. Maconochie's death you know as a matter of fact that his books were sold by Mr. Peter Fraser?

Yes, and having attended the sale as a purchaser I know that this manuscript was not in the sale, because at the time I made special inquiries about it.

Cross-examined by the Solicitor-General for Scotland.

I think Mr. Thomas Thomson was a celebrated antiquarian as well as the Keeper of the Records?

Yes; he was always esteemed a most accomplished scholar.

And he took a great interest in the Bannatyne Club, which was a society of antiquarians?

Not exactly antiquaries, but lovers of literature and collectors, including several of the nobility in this country as well as in Scotland.

You never saw the book except in his possession until recently?

I would have said "No" to this question some time back, but I find that it had been produced when Sir Frederic Johnstone's Agents were taking legal proceedings many years ago, and I was asked to depone something about it, but I never saw it since.

From the handwriting of the compilation do you think that it was written at a period of about 70 years at least after 1455?

I would say the date of the handwriting was between the years 1512 and 1520.

Is that manuscript referred to or mentioned by any contemporary writer so far as you are aware?

No; it is a miscellaneous collection in verse and prose, many of which exist in other forms.

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Is it known whether they were original compilations or mere transcripts from other writers?

Apparently they are transcripts.

No originals!

No, not originals.

Is there anything except the merest conjecture, for supposing that Mr. Asloan the advocate was the same person as this writer, Mr. Asloan.

Yes. I think there is no doubt of it. Here is Chalmers' authority for it (*pointing to Chalmers' "Collections."*)

What was the date at which Mr. Chalmers wrote; was it not an ancient matter even then?

Certainly; it might be considered ancient then.

When did Mr. Chalmers write?

I remember the nephew being in Edinburgh collecting materials from the Public Records for his uncle's publications.

At what date was that; was it in this century?

Yes, in this century; perhaps about 1812.

And this compilation was written in the beginning of the 16th century.

Yes; as he states here.

Had it ever been published before a partial publication was made of its contents by Mr. Thomson during this century as a matter of antiquarian interest?

Some of the poems had been published; I printed two or three myself at various times.

Is there any evidence of the Chronicle having been published or made known at the date when this compilation or these transcripts were written?

No; I am not aware of any.

Or for a couple of centuries afterwards?

No, I would say not until Mr. Thomson's time.

You published, I think, certain poems and fables of Robert Henryson?

I did.

And you included, I think, in that volume of poems and fables part of this manuscript which contains this Chronicle?

I did so.

I think, having reference to Mr. Thomas Thomson's Publication of a part of the work for the Bannatyne Club, he states in the preface, "This historical fragment, intituled, 'A short memorial of Scottish events,' which forms the first part of this collection, has been given with a scrupulous adherence to the original manuscript, not only in regard to the arrangement of events, but also of the errors of fact and date, as well as in those of transcription, which it exhibits;" is not that so?

Yes.

And afterwards he says, "several known or suspected errors have been suffered to remain?"

Yes.

That is Mr. Thomson's *notandum* upon publishing the work for the Bannatyne Club.

I have already said it was not printed for the Bannatyne Club, but he distributed some copies privately.

That was his observation, which was made public at the time, that he gave it to the club or to his friends.

Yes; about 1819.

Re-examined by Mr. Fleming.

As an antiquarian and as a person learned in the historical matters of Scotland, do you look upon that as an authentic chronicle or not?

I certainly do.

Have you any doubt about it?

I have no doubt. It may be incorrect in some points which might be found out, but we have no means of ascertaining them from a want of other accounts of the events of the time.

So far as your knowledge goes of the facts which are stated in it, is it correct? I would say so.

Is there any better record of the same period?

Not that I am aware of. There is a history from 1436 to 1456 by John Leslie, Bishop of Ross, for instance, but that is of a later date; it was written in the reign of Mary Queen of Scots, and was printed for the first time in 1830 at the expense of the Bannatyne Club, with extra copies for sale.

Prefixed is a copy of the *Facsimile* of one of the pages of the original Manuscript as referred to by Mr. Laing.

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The sumer tyme yar was a stond a gret
schippe ferre bell of godesnes at platt and
a bok of the mire were And wiche godesnes
was saget yat yd dñe a passenger peple fer
hunle And alþ y land all y meane ill was
Mowbray yd dñe may yd god yar my dñe
Ledes my peple or hit my ouȝ cor ȝeles
stond And yet sumer he yngylous com
in stond And bogay at drayfus And godes
callit yngylous but nody spes yar fulke tnan
yf my sonn hit yd not my sonn hony

On yor yorij day of may James v. broun of ell
millery of Dongafay ent went thare to yo capell
of sterling towne to knapdale And pale yarnt
yarrall of yor and lord of this and maner and
all ericht ent rollerd of wynn clathis silv ples
and yorlyk clath and yor capell made fforward
and quhat was yar amang yar wes comysall
to gouners And yor Dongafay all

Item y^e p^t donalds not his selfe by this bryst
all arane and may y^e capite of brandweare
and hast y^e dozen to gynnes and breyf bryst
y^e hys of trayns y^e same tyme Item y^e y^e fute
brandweare of brett y^e p^t dyne vix y^e 1^o bollis of
malver & bollis of malt y^e m^t 1^o Fute of plin

**Ane addicoun of scot-
tis Corniklis and Deidis.**

Heir followis ane schort memoriale F. 221.
of the scottis corniklis for addicioun.

Itm It Is to wit þat þe scottis Regnit befor þe pictis
ij^c lxv geſt & thre monethis The pictis Regnit J^o lxj geſt
fra þaj began or þaj war distroyit. Scotland was a kinrik
befor þe Incarnacioun CCCC xluij geſt

The geſt of god J^o iiiij^c xxvij þe xx day of septēber allane
stewart lord dernlie was flane at polmais thorne / be
þr thomas boyd vnd^p ane affoſtance takin betuix þam

The geſt of god J^o iiiij^c xxxix þe viij day of Julij þr thomas
boyd was flane be alexand^p stewart buktuth & his sōnis
& mathow stewart w^t his broþ and vþ syndry

That samyn geſt þe thrid day of august The lord kalendar
þr alexander levingstouñ þ^t tyme beand i þe castell of
sterling w^t þe qwene / Tuke þe qwene and put hiř in ane
chalmeſ and kepit hir stratlye þin / till scho was lowfit be
þe thre estat^s at þe counſall haldin at striuling þ^t samy geſt
þe last day of august And þ^t samy tyme he tuke þr James
stewart þe lord of lornis broþ & Willaz stewart & put þam
i pitt^t & bollit þai / at þ^t samyn counſall þr James was
borowit be þe lord gordouñ þr alex^r Setoune lord of þe
ylis þr Willam of crechtouñ þ^t tyme chanceller vnd^p þe
pane of thre thousand

The samyn geſt þe xxiiij day of september Jhoñ of cni-
quhone þe lord of luſ was flane i Inchemuryne vnd^pneth
ane affoſtance be lauchlane m^cclanis and murthow gibson

The famyñ tyme þar was i scotland a gret derth for þe
boll of quheit was at xl ȝ and þe boll of ete mele xxx ȝ
And w̄raly þe derth was fa gret þat þ deit a passinge
peple for hunger. And als þe land ill þe wame ill was so
violent þ' þ deit ma þ' geř þan eñ þ deit ouder in pestilens
or git in ony vþ feiknes i scotland. And þat famyn geř þe
pestilens come In scotland and began at drūfres. And It
was callit þe pestilence but m̄cy ffor þar tuke It nāi þ' eu
recodit bot þaj deit w̄in xxvij hourē.

The geř of god J^o iiij^c xlijj þe x day of m̄che erll James
douglas deit at þe castell of abercorn to þe takin þaj said
he had i hi four stane of talch and maiř

Thar faucht oñ mydsomeř day in sanct Jhonstoň Schir
Willam̄ rowane Jhoň gorme stewart of athole quhar þ
was flane Willam̄ of rowthwan and ane man w̄ him oñ
his syd t na ma. And oñ þe toþ syd þe said Jhoň gorme
gilcrift makýař and of þai flane out of hand of gētill mē
t zemen xvij t ma t mony hurt in prell of þ lyf That
gat away. And þis bargane was done oñ þe north Inche of
sanct Johnstoň / all for þe takin of a man for thift þ' þe
said Willam̄ tuke

F. 12s. The famyn geř forsaid þe xv day of Julij Schir Robert
sempill þan beand̄ in þe castell of dūbertan and þef deput
to þe lord̄ erskyñ and patrik calbreth̄ beand̄ in þe ower
bailȝe havand̄ þe entre be him self at wallace towř and þe
king of þe ower balȝe The said þ' Robert put out þe said̄
þ' patrik clerlie fra all governans of þe castell subtelly And

gart him remuf his geir And oñ þe morne þe said patrik
 past agane to þe castell t' gat entre to remuf þe laif of his
 geř and had in w' him bot iij or iiij vnharnest men
 Neþpeles he tuke þe portar t' wan þe ouþ balȝe clerlie oñ
 force and was ȝmendit for his takin t' supleit be þe tovne
 of dunbertane And schortlie he put out þe said f' Robert
 of þe neþ balȝe t' remanit git w' þe hale castell eft' þat

Itm þ' samyñ geř þe xx^{ij} day of august Erle Willam of
 dowglaſ James soñ at þe ȝmand of king James þe secund
 come to bernetouñ in louthian w' ane gret ost and w'
 him þe forsaid kingc counſall beand w' him and his
 houſhald And schortlie he askit þe houſ oñ þe kingc behalf
 and schew þe kingc l̄ez of ȝmandement to ask It And
 futhlie androw crechtouñ þan beand þin capitane anſwerd
 fayand þat þe houſ was i þe kingc hand and nyhole of
 borthuik and James of crechtouñ war wnd^o burrowis to þe
 þef / f' Willam of crechtouñ and þai put i be hī oñ þe
 kingc behalf And said þaj wald no' gif him þe houſ bot gif
 It wař of þe ȝeff bidding And þan þe erll remanit about
 þe houſ in prop persoñ iiij days t' iiij ny'c And oñ þe fift
 day he schew þe kingc baner And þan þaj gaf It our condi-
 cionaly þat þaj fuld haf fredome vj dayſ to remuf þ gudc
 t' þai self And he keſt It dovne w'in iiij dayis eft'

Thar was ane counſall geniale haldin at ſtriling þe ferd
 day of nouēber In þe hend^o end of þe q^{lk} counſall þaj blewe
 out oñ f' Willam of crechtouñ and f' george of crechtouñ
 t' þař adūtence And Incōtinēt eft' þe out blawing f'
 george t' f' Willā tuke away f' Jhoñ fosterf gudc þ' Is to

say schepe † nolt And syne þr' george tuke þe erl of douglas hors and brynt his grāgē of abircorne † strabrok † vþ five placē And brynt þe samy tyme þe blaknestē

The geř of god J^o iiij^c xlvi. þe last day of maij Schir James stewart of auchingowne was flane † ane w^c hī at drüglas besyd kirkpatrick be þe lard of duchall and alex' þe lyle † þ child^d and erdit ī þe kirk of dübertane And þat samy tyme Robyñ boyd send þr' alexander cūnýghame chaplane to Robyñ kalendař to þe kirk of cardross to þr' James wyf eft^e þat he had cūmý fra þe flaucht^f of hir husband and bad hir cū to þe castall and said þaj fuld send hir hame ī a bait † warand hir , for þaj gart hir trow þ was men waitand hir oñ hors † fut to tak hir , And schortlie thrō þr' alex'^g fair langage and hechtē scho passit w^c hī and sone w'in vj day^s eft^h for diseisⁱ scho toke hir childill And was
F. 124. Deliūit befor hir tyme ix oulkē of ane knaif child þat liffit no' ane houř And was erdit besyd his fad^j in þe kirk forsaid

Ane thousand iiij^c xlvj Thar deceſſit ī þe castall of glasqw Mast^k Jhoñ camloñ bischop of glasqw apoñ gule ewyne þat was bischop xix geř The samy geř Archebalđ of dunbar tuke þe castell of halis oñ sanctandrē day þe apie and syne cowardlie gaf It owr to þe mast^k of douglas fodanlie ,

Thar was ane pliment haldin at perth þe v day of Juin be king James þe secund and Remanit þar bot iij day^s And was cōtinewit till Edinburgh because of þe sege þ^t was liand about þe castell oñ þe kingē behalf And þr' Wittaz of crechtouñ was ī till It , And held It ix oulkē † þan gaf It

to þe king thrō trety And þe xv day of Julij þe qwene his moder deit i dunbar and was erdit in þe chart'houß of perth And Incontinēt þe lord halis gaf our þe castell of dunbar thrō trety

This quene forsaid was callit Jane And scho was þe duke of somfydf^s douchter þ^t king James þe first spousit in yngland / for till help to louß him furth^t of It And he gat oñ hir James þat was king and ane noþ soñ callit alexander And scho baïr baith þir sōnis oñ a ny^t Itm he gat w^t hir vj douchter^t þe eldest was callit Margaret þ^t was baith wyß & w^wtuiß And was spousit w^t þe dalphin of fraunce The secund was callit Elenor & was spousit w^t þe duke of brettañ

The geñ of god J^m iiiij^c xlv þe xxiiij day of Januař The erll of huntlie and þe ogilbeis w^t hī oñ þe tapt And þe erll of craufurd oñ þe toþ part met at þe gett^t of arbroth oñ ane sonday laite and faucht And þe erll of huntlie and Wat ogilby fled And þ^t was flane oñ þ^t pty Sir Jhoñ oliphant lard of aberdalghy f^r Wiffam forbes^t Schir^t alex^r barclay alex^r ogilby Dauid of aberkerdach^t w^t vþ syndry And oñ þe toþ pt þe erll of craufurd him self was hurt i þe feild and Deit w^win viij days / bot he & his soñ wan þe feild and held It And eft^t þ^t a gret tyme held þe ogilbyis at gret subiecc^toun and tuke þ^t gud^t & Distroyit þ^t plac^t & c^t

Itm þ^t was ane richt gret herschipe maid i fyff be þir sōnis The erll of crawfurd James of levingstouñ þ^t tyme kepar^t to þe king and capitane of striuling The ogilbeis all / Robert reath^t þe lard of kadgoch and vþ syndry And

þis herschipe was maid oñ sanctandr̄ land be þe maist force And Incōtinēt eft^d bischope James kēnedy cursit solempnitie w^t myter t^t staf buke t^t candill contynually a geř And Int̄dytit all þe plac^f quhar þir psonis wař And þe samy day xij monet^r þat þis heřship was made þ^t happinit þe said batale betuix þai And þe forsaid erl of craufurd lay four days abone þe gerd / t^t þ^t durst no man erd him quhill þe forsaid bischop send þe p^ror of sanctandr̄ and

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F. 125. þaj cryit him luftēnent And sone eft^d þis þaj worthit als strange as eđl^r þaj war / And at þis tyme þaj gat þe erlis sele to consent to þe trevis And Incōtinēt þaj send furth fawdouñ þe king^r herrod to lundouñ to bynd wp þe trevis And als fast as þ^r James of douglas gat wit herof he past till londone Incōtinēt / And quharfor men wist no redelye bot he was þar w^t þe king of yngland lang tyme and was mekle maid of

The geř of god J^o iiiij^elj þe xxv day Junij Thar was haldin a plament i Ed^r be king James þe secund To þe qu^{lk} plamēt þe forsaid erle Wiliam of douglas come and put hi body land^r and gud^r i þe king^r grace And þe king refauit hi till his grace at þe Request of þe qwene and þe thre estat^r And grantit hi all his lordschippis agane outtane þe erldom of Wigtouñ That Is to say galloway fra þe watt^r of Cre west and stewartouñ outtane þe land^r of pedynane of þe qu^{lk} þe erlis mod^r had coniuctfestmēt and charterit

him new of all þe laif of his lordschippis And gaf hī t̄ all
hē a fre Remissiouñ of all thingſ bygane to þe day forsaid
And all guð scott̄ mē wař ry' bly' of þ' accordance

That famyn ger Erill Willam̄ of douglas wes slane in þe
castell of striuling be king James þe secund þat had þe fyř
milk in his face The forsaid king James send owt of striuling
w' Willam̄ lawder of haltouñ a spēale assoultans and respit
wnd' his preve sele and subscriuit w' his awne hand̄ And
all þe lord̄ þat war w' þe king þat tyme gaf bodily aithis
to kepe þat respit t̄ assoultance and subscuit Ilk man w' þ
awne hand and all þe lord̄ þat war w' þe king þ' tyme war
oblist supoþ þe king wald brek þe band̄ forsaid / þ' þaj fuld
let It at þ power̄ This beand done þe forsaid Willam̄ of
lawd̄ of haltouñ passit to þe forsaid erill Willam̄ of douglas
And brocht him to striuling to þe king oñ þe monūday
befor fastrēnisevyñ þat was þe xxj day of februāř And þis
fam̄y monūday he passit to þe castell and spak w' þe king
þat tuke richt wele w' hī be apperans and callit him oñ þe
morne to þe Dyneř t̄ to þe supper / and he come t̄ dynit
and sowpit And þaj said þ was a band̄ betuix þe said erill of
dowglas and þe erill of roþ t̄ þe erill of craufurd And eft̄
supper at sevyne hoȝ þe king þā beand̄ in þe Inner chalm̄
t̄ þe said erill he chargit him to breke þe forsaid band̄ he
said he my' no' / nor wald̄ no' / Than þe king said / fals̄
tratoř ſeñ yow will not / I fall / And stert sodanly till him
w' ane knyf and straik him ī at þe coleř and downī ī þe
body And þaj sayd þat pat'k gray straik hī nixt þe king
With ane poll ax oñ þe hed and strak out his harnes And

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fyne þe gentillis þ' war w' þe king gaf þai Ilkane a straik

or twa w^t knyff^c And þiſ ar þe names þat war w^t þe king
 þat strake hī for he had xxvj wound^c In þe first f^r alex^r
 boyd þe lord dernelie f^r androw stewart f^r Wilfaz of
 gremstoñ f^r symond of glendonane and þe lord gray ^{tc}

The geſt of god J^o iiiij^c Lij^o The xxvij day of māche f^r James
 of douglas erll James secund soñ for þe foule flaucht^c of his
 broþ erll Willamⁱ of douglas Come oñ sanct patrik^c day i
 lentryñ to striuling t blew out xxiiij hornis attanis apoñ
 þe king and apoñ all þe lord^s þat war with him þat tyme
 for þe foule flaucht^c of his broþ And schewe all þe seles at þe
 corþ oñ ane letter w^t þe hand^c subscriuit And tuke þe lett^c
 and band It oñ ane burd and culprit It till ane horþ tale
 and gart draw It throu þe towne spekand richt sclander-
 fully of þe king and all þ^r war w^t him þ^r t spulzeit
 all þe tovne and brint It And þ^r was w^t hī his broþ þe erll
 of ormond And þe lord hāmiltouñ t na ma lord^s And þaj
 excedit no^t of guð mē vj^c, all þis tyme þe king was into
 perth passand to þe erll of craufurd

That samy geſt Thar was ane pliamet haldin in Edinburgh
 þe xij day of Junij be king James þe secund And þ^r was
 forfaltit alex^r lyndefaye the erll of craufurd and lord lynd-
 defay ba^t land lyf and gud^c And in þat samy pliamet þar
 was put oñ þe ny^t oñ þe pliamet hous^b duř Ane lett^c wnd^a
 f^r James of douglas sele t þe sele of þe erll of ormond t
 f^r James hāmiltōnis declynand fra þe king Sayand þ^r þaj
 held^t no^t of him nor wald no^t hald w^t him w^t mony vþ
 sclanderous word^c calland þan trato^r þat war his secret
 counſall And þan þis pliamet was ȝtinewit for xv dayis t

chargit all manⁱ of man till be at Edinburgh baith oñ fut &
horſ Ilk ma for hi self baith i burgh & land vnd^p þe pane
of ded & tinsall of þ land^e

The qu^{ik} day þaj apperit all & semblit at pentland muſ and
war novmerit xxx^o And þe king him self passit oñ south-
wart w^t þe ost to peblis felkrig drūfres^b & vþ syndry pt^c
and did na guð bot distroyit þe cütre richt fellonly baith
of cornes medowis & wittalis and herijt mony ba' gentillmē
& vþis þ war w^t hi self

Itm^a þ was maid in þe forsaid pliamēt thre erlis vj &
þ James crechtouñ soñ & air to fr^r Willam^m of crechtoñ
þ spousit þe eldest sist^r of m^rray was beltit erl of m^ray
Itm^a þe lord^d hay and constable of scotland was beltit
erl of eroll Itm^a fr^r george of crechtouñ was beltit erl
of caithnes^b Itm^a þ was maid vj or vij lord^d of þe plia- F. 127.
ment and banrente^e In þe first þe lord Dernelie The
Lord halis þe lord boyd of kilmnok The lord flemyg
of cùmýrnald The lord borthuik of þat Ilk The lord
lyle of Dowchale The lord of cathcart of þ^t Ilk Itm^a
þe lord of iorñ Jhoñ stewart talȝeit all his land^e to
þe male and surname in þe said pliamēt , Itm^a þe lord of
cathcart deit i þe sam^y tyme Itm^a fr^r george of crech-
touñ anext all his land^e to þe erldome of caitnes^b þ^t
sam^y tyme Itm^a þ was syndry land^e gevin to syndry men i
þis pliament be þe king^t secret counsall þ^t Is to say þe lord
cambell to fr^r colyne cambell to fr^r alex^t hume to fr^r dawid
hume to fr^r James keyñ and till vþ syndry war rewardit be
þe said secret counsall þe qu^{ik} men demyt wald no^t stand

The geř of god J^W iiiij^c Lv^o In þe begynning of m̄che James
 þe secund kest dovne þe castell of Inȝawyne And syne Incō-
 tinēt past till glasqw And gaderit þe westland men w^t part
 of þe areschery and passit to lanik and to douglas t̄ syne
 brynt all douglasdale and all awendale and all þe lord hā-
 miltōnis land t̄ herijt þā clerlye And syne passit till
 Edinburg h̄ t̄ fra þī till þe forest w^t ane ost of lawland men
 And all þ^r wald no^t cū till hi furthwith he tuke þ^r gud^r
 and brynt þ^r plac^r and tuke faith of all þe gentill^r clerlie
 And all þis tyme þe lord hāmiltouñ was in yngland till
 haue gottyñ suple and couth get nane / bot gif þe douglas
 and he wald haue bene ynglis^r men and maid þe aith^r And
 Incōtinēt eft^r þe king passit in prop pſouñ And put ane sege
 till abercorñ And w'in vij days lord hāmiltouñ come till
 him till abercorne And put him lyf land^r and gud^r in þe
 king^r will purelie and sempillye throw þe menys of his
 Eme James of levingstouñ That tyme chalmlane of scotland
 And þe king Refauit him till grace And send hi oñ Incōtinēt
 w^t þe erl of orknay þat tyme chancellor of scotland till
 remane i warde In þe castell of Roslyne at þe king^r will
 And þus he left þe erl of douglas all begylit as men said^r
 And men wist no^t grathlie quhar þe douglas was All þis
 tyme þe king remanit still at þe sege And þ^r was mony hurt
 and nane flane till sanct georg^r daye outtane allane pantor^r
 þat was þat tyme þe mast ingenious man þat was i scotland
 t̄ mast subtell in mony Diuñ thing^r And was flane w^t ane
 ganze thrō misgouñyng of him self And was richt mekle
 menytt be þe king t̄ mony vþ lord^r Thus þe king remanit
 still at þe sege And gart strek mony of þe towr^r Dovn w^t þe
 gret gwn þe q^{lk} a franche man schot richt wele And falzeit

na schot w'in a faldome quhar It was chargit hī to hit And

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The king gadderit ane gret ost and past In yngland and F. 128.
did gret scaith and wan mony towre and houſe

Itm̄ þe xij day of maij James þe broþir of erl William
of douglas þat was flane i þe castell of striuling come to
knapdale And spak þar w' þe erl of Roþ and lord of
Ilis And maid þai all richt gret reward of wyne clathis
filȝ silk and ynglis clath And þaj gaf þai mātill agane
And quhat was þar amang þai wes counfall to ȝnwines
And þaj demyt ill all

Itm̄ þat famyñ moneth and geiř þr. george of crechtouñ re-
signit all his conquest land in þe king hand and maid
him his aiř And within vj days James of crechtouñ sone t
aiř to þe said george of crechtouñ tuke þe castell of black
nes and his fader in contrar of þe king And Incōtinēt þe
king in prop þsouñ put ane sege to þe blacknes And lay at
It ix or x dayis And þan It was gevin ouř be trety And þr
george was put to methfēn and gaf him þe lands of strath-
urd for þe lands þat he had conquest in louthiane

The heſchipe of Inukip be donald of þe ylis viȝ baloch
w' þe power of þe Ilis w' him And þaj said Jhon of douglas
ane bastard sone till archebald erl of douglas was w' þai
þaj war vxx of galays wele tal'd t ma and of men v. or vj
thouſand This heſchipe was done þe said geiř The x day

of Julij And þ was slane of guð mē xv and of wylf^t twa
or thre and of barnis thre or four and of horþ v or vj^c and
of oxin and ky x^o and ma And of schepe and gait a thou-
sand & ma And þaj brynt þ' tyme ȝtane townis In Inȝkep
vīȝ about þe kirk Itñ þis said donald w^t his ost of þe Iis
herijt all arane And wan þe castell of braudwik And kest It
dowñ to þe erd And herijt baith þe Iis of Cerayes þe famy
tyme Itñ þaj tuke crauchmet of bute þe famy tyme vīȝ J^c
boll^t of male J^c boll^t of malt J^c mlt^t J^c mlk^t of ful

Ane thousand iij^c lij þe xxix day of August þ was cūmand^t
to þe cathederall kirk master george of lawd^t þ' tyme
bischope of Ergyle fra his castall of auchindouñ eft^t þat he
had bene in þe Ile of lesmoȝ þat tyme xxx dayis and maiȝ And
þ was in his company þ' famy tyme mast^t hercules skrym-
geo^r pson^t of glasgar þ' Jhoȝ m'artho^r and þ' adam his prische
preist and alex^r skrymgeo^r þe psonis broþ and þe lord^t
awne ȝuad^t of houshald & nane vþis for þe lord come for
guð trety and traſtit naȝ evill This pson^t forſaid brocht ane
sumond^t apoñ þ' gilbert m'lachane þ' tyme chanceller of
þe forſaid cathederall kirk and apoñ þ' morys m'fadȝane þ'
tyme theſaureȝ of þe ſaid kirk The qu^{ik} þ' gilbert and þ' morys
gadderit all hale þe clanlachane and all vþis þ' þaj my^r

F. 129. purcheȝ And ſend to þir mē word þ' þe forſaid biſchop
come w^t þe forſaid clerk and put þai out of þar benefice
and to put In þe forſaid mast^t hercules And þus þaj Infor-
mit þe peple wranguisly and begylit þai for þe pson^t had no
thing bot a sumond^t apoñ þ' gilbert and apoñ þ' morys
m'fadȝan for a ſentence diſſinative That þaj gaf aganis him
of his benefice þat he had Joyſit peceably xv geȝ w^t þ'

gotheray m'forsan becaus̄ þat þis sūmonde was apoñ his chēnonis þe lord passit in prop þlouñ till haf maid guð tretye And als̄ fast as þis lord w' þir þsonis forsaid come neř þe kirk w'in þe q'ter of ane myle The forsaid fr̄ gilbert and fr̄ moryß come with all þe power þat þai my' be i fere of were apoñ þe forsaid lord þe bischop & h̄ company and spak till him self richt dispuuoſie w' fellowñ word̄ and scorne And for dispyte halsit hi i errische sayand bānachadee And dispytfully reft fra hi þe forsaid mast̄ hercules & pullit him fra his horſ and brak þe lord̄ belt and tuke þe clerke and his broþ & harllit & led þai away ry' dispytfully And band þe gentill man & tho' to strik of his hed̄ And quhē þis foul sup̄ß was done till god and haly kirk / þan þe lord wald haf past oñ his fute till his kirk / þaj stert befor hi sayand That and he schape to gang ſ away þat þaj fuld ska him & all þat war with him and þaj war all about him and wald no' lat him paſ ony gait till he was obliſt till affolze þai of all thing þat þan was done þaſ And for dreſid of his lyf and his mēnis he grātit throw consall of rure glanson And vþis þat war w' him And þan þaj come w' a flyrdome & said þat þaj come for na ill of him ne his child̄ And þaj held þe clerk & his broþ And oñ þe moone gart þai swēř þat þaj fuld neſt follow him noſ of sūmonde nor of vþir thing þat was done to þai be þai self na na vþis bot held ſ badis and ſ filū and a silkyñ twyß and all vþ graith þat þaj had þat was oucht worthi viz gownis cloke hude þinetteſ and vþir small geir̄

The geř of god J̄o iij^c li^o In þe moneth of iiche þe erl of Roſ and lord of þe ylis take þ castell of þe king viz Ins².

neſ ourcvart and rothwane in badgenoch and ſtuffit þe
 castell of Inſuneſ and wrquhart and keſt dovne þe castell of
 rothwañ in badgenoch And þaj ſaid þe he gaf þe keping of
 þe castell of wrquhart till his guð fader James of leving-
 ſtouñ þe was eſchapit ſubtelly fra þe king and his counfall
 out of þe abbay of halyrudhouſ and was cūmand to þe
 lord for ſupple t' ſucco' þat refauit hi richt thankfully and
 tuke plane pt agane þe king for hi And ſaid he had þe
 king' wryt t' walx to haf þe castell of wrquhart for iij geſ
 And he ſaid þat þe king' awne pſoñ gart him mary þe
 ſaid James Doucht and hecht hi guð lordschipe þe qu'k
 F. 150. he had nocht gottin bot ewyñ þe otrare i all thing'

The ſamyñ geſ þe xvij day of august þar was flane Jhoñ of
 fandeland' ſone and ař to þe lard of Caldor In þat tyme
 bot xx geſ of age and his Eme James and ane man w' þam

Itm̄ þat ſamyn geſ t' moneth þar was drownit in þe watter
 of crawmond s' Johñ logane of leſtalrig kny' of þe age of
 xx^v geſ

Itm̄ þat ſamyn geſ s' patrik of corntouñ was flane i dun-
 bertane on ſetday þe viij day of august be allane hog þat
 tyme portar

That ſamyñ geſ þe p'uilege of þe vniuersite of glasqw come
 to glasqw throw þe Inſtance of king James þe secund And
 throw Inſtigacōun of maſt Willam Turnbull þat tyme bifchop
 of glasqw And was proclamit at þe croce of glasqw on
 þe trinite ſonday þe xx^v day of June And on þe morne þ

was cryit ane gret Indulgence gevin to glasqw at þe request
of þai forsaid be pap nycholas as It war þe geſt of grace
and w^t all Indulgens þat þaj my^t haf i rome otenand iiiij
monethis begynand þe ix day of Julij and durand to þe
x day of nouēber

Itm̄ þe geſt of god J^m iiiij^c liij^o. In þe moneth of september
deit alexander lyndesay erl of craufurd In fȳevyne þat was
callit a rigorū man and ane fellowū And held ane gret
rowme i his tyme ffor he held all angus in his bandouñ,
þe was richt Inobedient to þe king

Itm̄ J^m iiiij^c liij^o Thar deceſit i þe moneth of August gil-
bert hay erl of errol

Itm̄ þe famy geſt þe moneth þe deceſit i Edinburgh f^r
george of crechtotn And in þe famy moneth and geſt f^r
James lord of crechtouñ deceſit at Dunbar And It was
haldin fra þe king a litill quhile and syne gevin till hi,
And in þe famy moneth and geſt deceſit Jhoñ hāmiltouñ
þat was callit quhissilbery and was a licht mā i his tyme
Itm̄ in þe famy geſt þe moneth deceſit i fl̄ling androw
cūn̄ghaine sone þair till Wittaz of cūn̄ghame of glen-
gⁿok And þe famy androw spousit mgaret cambell f^r
dūcane lord cambell doucht^o And tuke viij^c ml̄k^c of toucheř
þe arit þe land

And In þe famy moneth and geſt deceſit þ^r alex^r Ramsay
lord of dalhousy And i þe famy moneth and geſt deceſit
Jhoñ of park lard of þ^r Ilk Itm̄ þat famy geſt þe moneth

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deceſſit þ' willam̄ keith þat was callit ane gentill kny'
 & a w̄tuoſ Itm̄ þe famȳ geſ & moneth þe lard of
 Jhonſtonis twa ſōnis tuk þe caſtall of lochmabane apoñ
 þe lard of moſfwald callit caruddis & his ij ſōnis &
 of twa or thre mē: & all thrō tressouñ of þe portar
 F. 131. And fyne þe king gaf þam þe keping of þe houſ to his
 prophet and how þat was men ferleit

Thar was ane richt gret ſpaſt in clyde þe xxv day and
 xxvj day of nouēber The quhilk brocht dovn̄ haile houſſ
 bernis and millis and put all þe towñ of gowane in ane
 flote quhill þaj sat oñ þe houſſ

The geſ of god J^o iiiij^e xlviij The xxv day of februaſ þe
 maſt^o of douglas callit James and twas w̄ him That Is to
 ſay James of douglas broþ to þe larde of lochlevyn and þe
 lard of haukat facht in þe barreſ at ſtriuling aganis twa
 kny' & and ane ſqwyar of burgūze And þiř wař þ names
 Schir Jakk de lalane þ' ſymond de lalane and þe larde of
 longawell þat was þe ſqwyar And þis was beſor king James
 þe ſecund

That famȳ geſ þe xxiiij day of octobeſ was þe battell of
 lochmabane ſtane w̄in þe prifche of Sanct patrik Quhar
 hew of Douglas erl of ormond was chiftane oñ þe scottſ
 syd and w̄ him Schir Jhoñ Wallace of cragy þe lord of
 Jhonſtoniñ þe lord ſon̄wellis ſon̄ & air Dauid Stewart of
 caſtell myll þe ſlef of aiř w̄ vj ſyndry gentill̄ of þe weſt-
 land and þ men was callit iiij^m And oñ þe yngliſ ſyde þe
 goungar pſye þ' Jhoñ of pēnyntoune þ' Jhoñ herntouñ

war chiftanis And w^r þai sex thousand of ynglis men
 qu^r þar chiftanis war tane and xv^c mē w^r þai / slane
 Drownit v^c And oñ þe scott^r syd xxvj slane and tane / bot
 na man of reputac^run war tane nor slane bot fr^r Jhoñ
 Wallace deit eft^r þat he come hame throu misgouñance

Itm̄ J^o iiiij^c Lvj^r Cunyghame and dalrūpill faucht in þe
 barraf of striuling befor king James þe secund

That famy geř þe thrid day of decēber þ decesit in glasqw
 mast^r Willam Turnbull bischope of glasc^r that brocht hāi
 þe pdouñ of It

Itm̄ þat famy geř þe last day of august deit i glasqw master
 Walter stewart þ^r was lord pwand

Itm̄ þ^r famyn geř t moneth Decessit i brechyne mast^r
 Jhone crēnok bischop of brechyne þ^r was callit a guđ actif
 and w^rtuis man and all his tyme wele gouñand

The geř of god J^o iiiij^c lix þe pēult day of Junij Decessit at
 paſſay thomas tarvas abbot of paſſay þe qu^{lk} was ane richt
 guđ man and helpyk to þe place of ony þ^r eu^r wes ffor
 he did mony notable thing^r and held ane noble houſ
 and was ay wele purvait he fand þe place all out of
 guđ rewle and destitut of leving and all þe kirk^r i
 lord^r hand^r And þe kirk vnbiggit / The body of þe kirk
 fra þe bricht stair wp And put oñ þe ruf he biggit
 and theckit It w^r sclait and riggit It w^r stane And
 biggit ane gret porcion^r of þe steple and ane staitlie get. F. 132.

houſ And brocht hame mony gud Jowellis and clathis of gold ſilu t ſilk t mony gud buk^e and maid ſtaithie ſtallis and glafynit mekle of all þe kirk And brocht hame þe ſtaithieſt tabernakle þat was i all scotland and þe maſt coſtlie And ſchortlie he brocht all þe place to fredome and fra no' till ane my^u place And left It out of all kynd of det and at all fredome till diſpone as þai lykit And left ane of þe beſt myter^e þ^t was in scotland and chandillar^e of ſilu and ane lettren of braſ w^t mony vþ gud Jowell^e

Itm þe xvij day of August king James þe ſecund maid his first wayage in yngland w^t vj^c thouſand men and brynt and heriȝt xx mylis w^tin þe land And wan and diſtroyit xvij towr^e t fortaliceis And remanit oñ þe ground of yngland vj days and vj nycht^e And þ pſewit þai neñ yngliſhman w^t Ill noþ be day nor ny^t And come hame w^t gret worſhip t tynt no' a man of valo'

Itm Incōtinent þe yngliſhmen war gadderit wele till iiij or v^c thouſand and come to þe marche and þ discordit and paſſit hame w^t ane gret velany / viz þe duke of zork þe erl of ſaliſbery w^t mony vþ fyndry gret lord^e of þe land

The geſt of god J^o iiij^c ix þe thrid ſonday of august king James þe ſecund w^t ane gret oif was At þe ſege of Roxburgh and wnhappely was flane w^t ane gwn þe qu^u brak in þe fyring / for þe qu^u was gret dolo' thrō all scotland And neñ þe leſt all þe lord^e þ^t war þar remanit ſtill w^t þe oif And oñ þe fryday eft^t richt wyſly t māfully wan þe forſaid caſtell and tynt no' a mā may In þe wŷnyng of It

And þan þaj lordf Incōtinent send till Edinburgh for þe prince And þe said priuce w^t his modeř þe quene & bischopis & vþ nobillis come to kelso on þe friday eft^t þe deid of þe king And remanit þar quhill he was crovnit and quhill þe forsaid castell was waſtit and diſtroyit And on þe sonday eft^t he was crovnit in to kelso And þe forsaid lordf passit to þe castell of werk & sone þaj wan þat castell And Incōtinēt keſt It dovne to þe erd And diſtroyit It for eu Itm in þe tyme of þe coronaſoun of þe king þ was maid ma þan a hūdre^t kny^r

Itm i þe moneth of Januar i þe geſ forſaid The p'nce of yngland and þe quene of yngland come in scotland to get help & ſuple aganis þe duke of zorke and þaj come to drūfreſ And þe qwene of scotland þe duke of gillerland^r doch^r met þe forſaid p'nce & his modeř at kyncloudane And þaj remanit þ togiſd^r x or xij days And þaj ſaid þaj war ſpekan^r of mariage betuix þe forſaid p'nce And king James þe thrid^r ſift^r And ſū ſaid þ' þaj war accordit on baith þe fydf^r And in þe meynetyme The duke of zork and þe erl of ſalifſberry & þe duk^r ſon^r F. 1ss. war flane w^t vþ diſt^r lordf of þ company

The geſ of god J^o iiij^c lx The erl of ergyle Colyne Cambell paſſit in lorne for þe redempſoun of his cosing Jhoñ keiſ of lorne The qu^k was tane be his broþ allane of lorne of þe wod ſift^r ſon^r to Downe balloch And ſchortlie þis erl forſaid w^t his oif come to þe Ile of kerewra quhar þis allane had his broþ in festynans And his entent was to diſtroye him þat he my^r haue ſuccedit to þe heretage And ſchortlie

þaj come fa suddanlie apoñ þe forsaid allane in þe said Ile
 þ' he my' nocht paſ away w' his schippis i þe quicke war a
 hundredth men And þis said Jhoñ keif was bound and his
 men was flane to þe novm̄ of iiiij or v^{xx} And brynt þ
 schippis and Redemit his cosing and restorit him to his
 lordship And þe toþ chapit richt narowly w' his lyf and
 iiiij or v · psonis And þis was þe first flaucht eft' þe deid of
 king James þe secund

The famy geř þe xxij day of februāř king James þe thrid
 held his first pliment at Edinburgh to þe quicke pliment
 come þir lordſ wnd' writtin That Is to say þe lord of ylis
 & erl of Roſ and all þe lardſ of þe Ilis lord dernlie and þe
 lord kalendař The lord hamiltonař And þaj did litill gud
 in þe forsaid pliment Bot þ' þaj ordanit sessionis to sit first
 at aberdene syne i perti syne i Edinburgh And þaj left þe
 king i keping w' his moder þe qwene and gouynng of all
 þe kinrik And þfor þe lordſ said þ' þaj wař litill gud worth
 ba' spūale & tempall That gaf þe keping of þe kinrik till a
 woman And Incōtinēt þe quene eft' þis pliamēt put i new
 kepart In þe castell' of Edinburgh striuling and dunbar
 wiž i Edinburgh Androwe keyř In dunbar lord halis / In
 blaknes and striuling Robert liddale

Itm̄ þe said quene eft' þe deid of king James þe secund
 tuke maſt' James lyndesay for p'ncipale counſalo' And gart
 him kepe þe preve ſele nochtw'ſtanding þat þe ſaid maſt'
 James was excludit fra þe counſall of þe forſaid king & fra
 þe co't & for his w'ray helynes And had bene flane for he
 demitt' had no' bene he was redemit w' gold

Itm̄ eft̄ þe deid of þe forsaide king þe lord of ylis past till
 Inñeþ and tuke þe kinḡ fermes and all wittalis of þe
 kinḡ And proclamit all þe gud̄ and þe land̄ of þe kinḡ
 itill þe hand̄ t̄ gaf remissionis and respitt̄ And for þir
 caus̄ he was sumond to þe plament wnder þe pane of
 forfalt / And comperit no' And þan þaj supsedit his caus̄
 quhill þe feist of sanct Jhoñ þe baptist And ḡtinewit þe for-
 said plament till þ' day to be haldin i aberdene

Itm̄ þe lord of curthous come till Edinburgh till

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of þe law and þe kinḡ profett̄ and of all þe Realme And F. 134.
 þat þe king fuld cū be himself t̄ his And þe qwene be hir self
 t̄ hirr̄ / bot þe king fuld ay remane w' þe qwene Bot scho
 fuld no' Intromit w' his profett̄ bot allanlie w' his pson̄

The geř of god J^W iiiij^c xx Archebald erll of Douglas t̄ þe
 duke of turane Deceſſit i fraunce And In þe samy tyme and
 place deceſſit Jhoñ Stewart erll of buchane and constable
 of fraunce

James of douglas sone to þe said erll fr̄ Walter of bekir-
 toune fr̄ Willam̄ of Setouñ fr̄ richert of bekirkouñ S' henry
 bekirkouñ goðno' to þe scott̄ archer̄ t̄ alex' bikirkouñ w'
 mony vñis gud knȳ and sqwyer̄

Itm̄ þat samy geř Robert Stewart deceſſit in þe castell of
 striuing and lyis i dñfermling

Itm̄ duke murthok deceſſit at striuling Walteſt Stewart
erl̄ of levinox And fr̄ alexander stewart

Itm̄ J^o iiiij^c xxxvij The falſe erl̄ of athole his ſon̄ and
Robert Stewart war put to deid at Edinburgh for treſouñ

Itm̄ The erl̄ of mar Alexander Stewart deceſſit

Itm̄ J^o iiiij^c xxxvij^o Archebald erl̄ of douglas and ſiſt ſon̄
to king James þe firſt deit at leſtalrig

Itm̄ J^o iiiij^c xl Erll Willam̄ of douglas archebald^c ſon̄
beand þan xvij ger^r of age t̄ his broþ Dauid Douglas
was put to deid at Edinburgh and malcome flemyngh of
beggar was put to deid in þat famyñ place w̄in three days
eft^r

The ger of god J^o iiiij^c xlix fr̄ James auchinlek was flane
be richert coluile þe xx day of ap̄le And w̄in v or vj days
cowartdie gaf oþ þe caſtell And was hedit and iij ſū w̄ hī
And Incōtinēt eft^r þat he come furth þe caſtell was caſtin
dovñ be erll Wittaz of douglas James ſon̄

That famyñ ger in þe moneth of may fr̄ James Stewart
þe qwenes kny^r was tane apoñ þe ſe be þe flemyngh befor
þe ſon̄ t̄ þ was put to deid t̄ of þai þat come w̄ him viij^{xx}
of ynglismen

That famyñ ger þe xvij day of Juin qwene mary of scot-
land come in scotland And þis qwene was þe duke of gillir-

lande^c douch^t And fist^p Doucht^p to þe duke of burgone Thar
 come withi hir xiij. gret schippis and ane craike In þe qu^{lk}
 þ was þe lord of Canfer^r w^t xv^{xx} of mē i harneß Mast^p
 Jhoñ ralstouñ bischope of dunkeldeñ And fr^r willam of
 crechtouñ chancelleř of scotland That tyme was þe hame
 bringar^c of þe qwene w^t þe counsall of þe king of fraunce
 The duke of sawoy The duke of ostrich þe duke of bertane
 þe duke of burgüze / And all þiř wař bundyň In suple τ
 mateinans of king James of scotland And þis king forsaid
 and þis qwene war marijt At Edinburgli þe thrid day of
 Julij the geř forsaid

Itm̄ in þat samyň geř maſt^p willam turnbill said his first F. 135.
 meſ in glasqw þe xx day of september And oñ þe monūday
 þe xxijij day of septēber James of levingstouñ was arrestit
 be þe king And Robyñ kalendar capitane of Dunbertane
 And Johñ of levingstouñ capitane of þe castell of dovnⁿ And
 Dauid levingstouñ of þe grenezard^c w^t syndry vþis and
 sone eft^p þis fr^r alex^r levingstouñ was arrestit and robyñ of
 levingstouñ of lithqwe þat tyme comptrollař And James and
 his broþ alex^r and Robyne of lithqwe war put in þe black-
 neß And þ gud^c tane within xl days i all plac^c and put
 wnder arrest And all þ gud^c þ^t ptenit to þat pty And all
 officer^c þat war put in be þai war clerlie put out of all
 offic^c And all put dovnⁿ þat þaj put wp And þis was a gret
 ferlie And in þe samy tyme þe forsaid James dochter þat
 was spousit w^t þe lord of þe Ilis come till hī fodanlie w^t few
 psonis w^t hiř τ þaj met i dūbertane fr^r Duncane psone And
 led hir w^t hī to kyntyř þe xxijij day of þe said moneth

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And It Is to wit þe first arresting was maid at þe brig
of Inchebelle oñ kylwyne betuix glasqw & kirkytulloch

That samy geř þe xix day of Januař James þe thrid held
his first pliament at Edinburgh In to þe quik pliament þar
was forfaltit Schir alex' levinstouñ lord kalendar And James
dūdaþ of þat ilk And Robert brus þe lard of clakmānānis
broþ And James of levingstouñ sone & air to þe said alexan-
der was put to deid And Robyne of levingstouñ of lithiqw
þe tyme comptrollar was put to deid baith togidd' oñ þe
castellhill þ heid' strikin of , The thrid day of þe pliament
And þat samy tyme archebald of Dundaþ broþ till þe said
James of dūdaþ stuffit þe towř of dundaþ and said he fuld
de and It baith attanis bot gif þe king did þai grace And
at þe dissolwyne of þe said pliamēt þe king baith send &
come him self And alkit þe said houþ And gat It no' as þan
And Incōtinēt laide ane sege about It þat remanit quhill þe
latt' end of ap'e And þan It was gevī ouř And all þat war i
It war put i þe king' grace And þaj war tane And sum send
till a castell and sum till vþis And þe houþ was caffyñ dovne
And þe stuf þof ptit betuix þe king and þe erl of douglas
Schir wittaz of crechtouñ And þ' george of crechtouñ

The geř of god J^o iiiij^c & L . þe xix day of maij qwene
mary partit w' barne in striuling xij oulk' befor hir tyme
And þe barne liffit bot þe space of sex hourſ

Itm' þe said geř in þe moneth of Junij Thar was funding
in dūfermling a mīwalous deid corþ In þe ryping of ane
wall for first þ was found * About him a kist of stane

And syne ane of tre ⁊ syne a cape of leid And syne clathis of gold and silk alſſ fresche as evir þaj waſſ And þe cors⁹ hale in hyde ⁊ hewe as It semyte bot of xvij ger⁹ of age And It was xj^{xx} ger⁹ ſeñ þ⁹ wall was maide And men demyþ þat It was a barne or coſing of ſanct margaretf

The geſ of god J^{an} iiiij^c xl ix The birnyng of dunbar be zoungh pſie And þ^r robert ogile In þe moneth of maij And þat famȳ geſ drūfreſ was brynt be þe erl of ſalifbery i þe moneth of Junij And þat famȳ geſ erl willam⁹ of douglas James ſoñ And w^t hī þe erl of orknay angus⁹ ⁊ ormond brynt awnwik i þe moneth of Junij þe thrid day And come hame wele And dið gret ſcaith Itſi þe ſaið erl paſſit In yngland þe xvij day of Julij w^t xl^{mo} mē And dið gret ſcaith And brynt Werkworth And In þe hamecūmyng tynt ij^c fut men þat war tane ⁊ no^t teñ men flane / bot þe lard of glendōwyne And þe ſcottſ men tuke agane colyne wod for him And Ilkane of þiř mēnis ſōnis tuk vþis faderf

The battell of arbroth brechyne

Itſi about þat famȳ tyme þe xvij day of maij Thař met ⁊ faucht i þe feld oñ þe Mure beſyd̄ brechyne The erl of craufurd callit allexander The erl of huntlie callit alexander And þ was w^t þe erl of huntlie fer ma þan was w^t þe erl of craufurd becauſ he displayit þe kingf baniř And ſaid It was þe kingf actiouň And he wes his luſtēnend And ſhortlie þe erl of huntlie wan þe feld And ſlewe þe erl of craufurdf broþ callit Jhoñ lyndefay of brechyne ⁊ þe lard

of dundaß And vþ syndry gentill mē wele till iij^{xx} of cot-
armo'c oñ þat syd And oñ þat vþ fyde willam of setouñ þe
erlīc broþ And vthir thre or four of gentill men + vor sex
of zemen And þe erl of huntlie held þe feld And raid in
angus w^t thre or four thousand with him And þe erl
of craufurd

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**A SHORT CHRONICLE OF THE REIGN OF
JAMES THE SECOND KING OF SCOTS.**

THE Historical Fragment, entitled ‘Ane Schort Memoriale of
‘ the Scottis Corniklis for addicioun,’—which forms the first
part of this Collection, has been given with a scrupulous adher-
ence to the original manuscript, not only in the inartificial and
apparently accidental arrangement of events, but also in the er-
rors of fact and of date, as well as in those of transcription which
it exhibits. In that which follows, the same materials, with a
few unimportant omissions, have been disposed somewhat more
exactly in the order of time; some of the erroneous dates and
accidental mistakes of transcription have been rectified; and
the abbreviations and other antiquated peculiarities of writing
have been removed; while at the same time, the words and
spelling of the original have been, in other respects, closely
adhered to. Several known or suspected errors have been
suffered to remain, where the means of accurate and authentic
correction could not be obtained.

A SHORT CHRONICLE OF THE REIGN OF JAMES THE SECOND.

M. cccc. xxxvi.

ITEM, M. cccc. xxxvi. the fals erll of Athole, his son and Robert Stewart, war put to ded at Edinburgh for tresoun.

M. cccc. xxxviii.

THE yeir of God M. cccc. xxxviii. the xx day of September, Allane Stewart lord Dernlie was slane at Polmais Thorne be schir Thomas Boyd, undir ane assoverance takin betuix tham.

M. cccc. xxxix.

ITEM, M. cccc. xxxix. Archebald erll of Douglas and sister son to king James the first deit at Lestalrig.

THE yer of God M. cccc. xxxix. the vii day of Julii, schir Thomas Boyd was slane be Alexander Stewart buktuth and his sonnis, and Mathow Stewart with his brother, and uthir syndry.

THAT samyn yer the thrid day of August, the lord Kalendar, schir Alexander Levingstoun, that tyme beand in

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the castell of Sterling with the quene, tuke the quene and put her in ane chalmer and kepit her stratlye tharin, till scho was lowsit be the thre estatis, at the counsall haldin at Strivling that samyn yer, the last day of August. And that samyn tyme, he tuke schir James Stewart the lord of Lornis brother, and William Stewart, and put them in pittis and bollit thaim. At that samyn counsall, schir James was borowit be the lord Gordoun schir Alexander Setoune, lord of the Ylis, schir William of Crechtoun that tyme chancellor, undir the pane of thre thousand

THE samyn yer, the xxiiird day of September, Jhon of Culquhone the lord of Lus was slane in Inchmuryne, underneth an assoverance, be Lauchlane McClanis and Murthow Gibson.

THE samyn tyme that was in Scotland a gret derth, for the boll of quheit was at xl schillingis, and the boll of eis mele xxx schillingis, and werraly the derth was sa gret that thar deit a passinge peple for hunger. And als the land ill, the wame ill was so violent, that thar deit ma that yer than ever thar deit ouder in pestilens or yit in ony uthir seiknes in Scotland. And that samyn yer the pestilens come in Scotland and began at Drumfres, and it was callit the pestilence but mercy, for thar tuke it nair that ever recoverit, bot thai deit within xxiiird houris.

M. CCCC. XL.

ITEM, m. cccc. xl. erl William of Douglas Archebaldis son, beand than xviii yeris of age, and his brother David

Douglas, was put to deid at Edinburgh. And Malcome Flemynge of Beggar was put to deid in that samyn place within thre days after.

M. CCCC. XLIII.

THE yeir of God m. cccc. xliii. the xxv day of Merche, erll James Douglas deit at the castell of Abercorn, to the takin thai said he had in him four stane of talch and mair.

THAR faucht on mydsomer day in Sanct Jhonston, schir William Rowane, Jhon Gorme Stewart of Athole, quhar thar was slane William of Routhwan, and ane man with him on his syd and na ma. And on the tothir syd, the said Jhon Gorme, Gilcrist Makynar, and of thaim slane out of hand of gentill men and yemen xviii and ma, and mony hurt in perrell of thair lyf that gat away. And this bargane was done on the north inche of Sanct Johnston, all for the takin of a man for thift that the said William tuke.

THE samyn yer forsaide, the xv day of Julii, schir Robert Sempill than beand in the castell of Dunbertan, and schiref deput to the lord Erfkyn, and Patrik Calbreth beand in the ower balye, havaad the entre be him self at Wallace towr, and the king of the ower balye, the said schir Robert put out the said schir Patrik clerlie fra all governans of the castell subtelly, and gart him remuf his geir. And on the morne the said Patrik past agane to the castell, and gat entre to remuf the laif of his geir, and had in with him bot iii or iii unharnest men. Nevertheles he tuke the portar, and wan the outher balye clerlie on force, and was

commendit for his takin, and suppleit be the toune of Dunbertane. And schortlie he put out the said schir Robert of the nether balye, and remanit yit with the hale castell efter that.

ITEM, that samyn yer the xx day of August, erle William of Douglas James son, at the command of king James the secund, come to Bernetoun in Louthian with ane gret ost, and with him the forsaid kingis counsall beand with him and his houshald. And schortlie he askit the lious on the kingis behalf, and schew the kingis letrez of commandement to ask it. And suthlie Androw Crechtoun than beand tharin capitane, answerd sayand, that the hous was in the kingis hand. And Nychole of Borthuik and James of Crechtoun war undir burrowis to the schiref, schir William of Crechtoun, and thai put in be him on the kingis behalf, and said thai wald nocht gif him the hous bot gif it war of the schirefis bidding. And than the erll remanit about the hous in proper person IIII days and III nychtis. And on the fift day he schew the kingis baner, and than thai gaf it our condicinaly, that thai fuld haf fre-dome VI dayis to remuf thair gudis and thaim self. And he kest it doun within IIII dayis efter.

THAR was ane counsall generale haldin at Strivling, the ferd day of November, in the hender end of the quhilk counsall, thai blewe out on schir William of Crechtoun and schir George of Crechtoun, and thar advertence. And incontinent efter the outblawing, schir George and schir William tuke away schir Jhon Fosteris gudis, that is to say schepe and

nolt. And syne schir George tuke the erll of Douglas hors, and brynt his grangis of Abircorne and Strabrok and uthir five placis, and brynt the samyn tyme the Blaknestis.

M. CCCC. XLV.

THE yer of God m. cccc. xlv. the last day of Maii, schir James Stewart of Auchingowne was slane, and ane with him, at Drumglas besyd Kirkpatrick, be the lard of Duchall and Alexander the Lyle and thair childer, and erdit in the kirk of Dunbertane. And that samyn tyme Robyn Boyd send schir Alexander Cunnynghame, chaplane to Robyn Kalendar, to the kirk of Cardros, to schir James wyf, efter that he had cummyn fra the slaunchter of hir husband, and bad hir cum to the castall, and said thai suld send hir hame in a bait and warand hir, for thai gart hir trew thar was men waitand hir on hors and fut to tak hir. And schortlie, throu schir Alexanderis fair langage and hechtis, scho passit with him, and sone within vi dayis efter, for diseis scho toke her childill, and was deliverit befor hir tyme ix oulkis of ane knaif child, that liffit nocht ane hour, and was erdit besyd his fader in the kirk forsaid.

THAR was ane parliament haldin at Perth, the v day of Juin, be king James the secund, and remanit thar bot iii dayis, and was continewit till Edinburgh, becaus of the sege that was liand about the castell on the kingis behalf. And schir William of Crechtoun was in till it, and held it ix oulkis, and than gaf it to the king throu trety. And the xv day of Julii, the quene his moder deit in Dunbar, and was erdit in the Charterhouse of Perth. And incon-

tinent the Lord Halis gaf our the castell of Dunbar
throu trety.

THIS quene forfaid was callit Jane. And scho was the duke of Somersydis douchter, that king James the first sposit in Yngland, for till help to lous him furth of it. And he gat on hir James that was king, and ane nothir son callit Alexander, and scho bair baith that soanis on a nyght. Item, he gat with hir vi douchteris. The eldest was callit Margaret, that was baith wys and vertuis, and was sposit with the dauphin of Fraunce. The secund was callit Elenor; and was sposit with the duke of Brettan.

THE yer of God m:cccc: xlv. the xxiii day of Januar,
the erl of Huntlie and the Ogilbeis with him on the
tapart, and the erl of Craufurd on the tother part, met at
the yettis of Arbroth, on ane sonday laite, and faucht. And
the erl of Huntlie and Wat Ogilby fled. And thar was
slane on thair party, schir Jhon Oliphant lard of Aber-
dalghy, schir William Forbes, schir Alexander Barclay,
Alexander Ogilby, David of Aberkerdach, with uthir
syndry. And on the tother part, the erl of Craufurd
him self was hart in the feild, and deit within viii dayis.
Bot he and his son wan the feild and held it, and efter
that a gret tyme, held the Ogilbyis at gret subjeccoun, and
take thair gudis and distroyit thair placis, &c.

ITEM, thar was ane richt gret herschipe maid in Fyff be
thir personis, the erl of Crawfurd, James of Livingstoun
that tyme kepar to the king and capitane of Striving, the

Ogilbii all, Robert Reach, the lard of Kadyoch, and uthir sydry. And this herschipe was maid on Sanctandrois land, be the maist force. And incontinent efter, bischope James Kennedy cursit solemnitie with myter and staf bake and candill contynually a yer, and interdytit all the placis quhar thir personis war. And the samyn day xii moneth that this herschip was maid, thar hap-
penit the said bataile betwix thaim. And the forsaide erl of Crauford lay four days abone the yerd, and thar durst no man erk him, quhill the forsaide bischop send the prior of Sanctandrois and

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M. CCCC. XLVI.

Ane thousand cccc. xlvi. thar decessit in the castell of Glasgw, master Ihom Cameron bischop of Glasgw, apon yule ewyne, that was bischop xix yer. The samyn yea Archebald of Dunbar take the castell of Halis on Sanctandrois day the apostle, and synce cowardlie gaf it owr to the master of Douglas sodanlie.

M. CCCC. XLVIII.

THE yer of God M. CCCC. XLVIII. the birnyng of Dunbar be young Perse and schir Robert Ogile, in the moneth of Maii. And that samyn yer, Drumfres was brynt be the erl of Salisbery, in the moneth of Junii. And that samyn yer, erl William of Douglas James son, and with him the erl of Orknay, Angus, and Ormond, brynt Awnwik, in the moneth of Junii the thrid day, and come hame wele, and did gret scaith. Item, the said erl passit in Yngland, the

xviii day of Julii, with xl^m men, and did gret scaith, and brynt Werkworth. And in the hamecummyng tynt ii^c fut men that war tane, and noctt ten men slane, bot the lard of Glendonwyne, and the Scottis men tuke agane Colyne Wod for him, and ilkane of thir mennis sonnis tuk uthiris faderis.

THAT samyn yer, the xxiiii day of October, was the battell of Lochmabane stane, within the perrische of Sanct Patrik. Quhar Hew of Douglas erll of Ormond was chiftane on the Scottis syd, and with him schir Jhon Wallace of Cragy, the lord of Jhonstoun, the lord Somerwellis son and air, David Stewart of Castell Myll, the schiref of Air, with uthir syndry gentillis of the westland, and thair men was callit iiii^m. And on the Ynglis syde, the youngar Persye, schir Jhon of Pennyntoune, schir Jhon Herntoun, war chiftanis, and with thaim sex thousand of Ynglis men, quhar thar chiftanis war tane, and xv^c men with thaim slane, drownit v^c. And on the Scottis syde, xxvi slane, and tane; bot na man of reputacioun war tane nor slane, bot schir Jhon Wallace deit efter that he come hame, throu misgovernance.

THE yer of God m. cccc. xlviii. the xxv day of Februar, the master of Douglas callit James, and twasum with him, that is to say, James of Douglas brother to the larde of Lochlevyne, and the lard of Haukat, facht in the barres at Strivling aganis twa knychtis and ane squyar of Bur-gunye. And thir war thair names. Schir Jakkis de Lalane, schir Symond de Lalane, and the larde of Longawell, that was the squyar. And this was befor king James the secund.

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M. CCCC. XLIX.

THE yer of God m. cccc. xlix. schir James Auchinlek
was slane be Richert Colvile, the xx day of Aprile, and
within v or vi days cowartlie gaf our the castell, and was
hedit and iii sum with him. And incontinent after that
he come furth, the castell was castin down be erl William
of Douglas James son,

THAT samyn yer, in the moneth of May, schir James
Stewart the quenes knyght was tane apon the se be the
Flemyngis, befor the son, and thar was put to deid, and of
thaim that come with him viij^{xx} of Ynglismen.

THAT samyn yer, the xviii day of Juin, quene Mary of Scot-
land come in Scotland. And this quene was the duke of
Gillilandis douchter, and sister douchter to the duke of
Burgone. Thar come with hir xiiii gret schippis and ane
craike, in the quhilk thar was the Lord of Canfer, with
xv^{xx} of men in harnes. Master Jhon Ralstoun bischop of
Dunkelden, and schir William of Crechtoun chanceller of
Scotland that tyme, was the hame bringaris of the quene
with the counsall of the king of Fraunce, the duke of
Savoy, the duke of Ostrich, the duke of Bertane, the
duke of Burgunye. And all thir war bundyn in suple and
manteinans of king James of Scotland. And this king
forsaid and this quene war mariit at Edinburgh, the thrid
day of Julii the yer forsaide.

ITEM, in that samyn yer, master William Turnbill said his
first mess in Glasqw, the xx day of September. And on

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the monunday the xxiii day of September, James of Levingstoun was arrestit be the king, and Robyn Kalendar capitanе of Dunbertane, and Johne of Levingstoun capitane of the castell of Doune, and David Levingstoun of the Grenenyardis, with syndry uthiris. And sone efter this, schir Alexander Levingstoun was arrestit, and Robyn of Levingstoun of Lithqw that tyme comptrollar. And James and his brother Alexander and Robyn of Lithqw war put in the Blacknes, and thair gudis tane within xl days in all places, and put under arrest, and all thair gudis that pertenit to that party. And all officeris that war put in be thaim war clerlie put out of all officis, and all put doun that thai put up. And this was a gret ferlie. And in the samyn tyme, the forsaid James dochter, that was spousit with the Lord of the Ilis, come till him sodanlie with few personis with hir, and thai met in Dunbertane schir Duncane Persone, and led hir with him to Kyntyre, the xxiii day of the said moneth. And it is to wit, that the first arresting was maid at the brig of Inchebelle on Kylwyne, betuix Glasqw and Kirkytulloch.

THAT samyn yer, the xix day of Januar, James the secund held his first parliament at Edinburgh. In to the quhilk parliament thar was forfaltit, schir Alexander Levinstoun lord Kalendar, and James Dundas of that ilk, and Robert Brus the lard of Clakmannannis brother. And James of Levingstoun, son and air to the said Alexander, was put to deid, and Robyne of Levingstoun of Lithqw that tyme comptrollar was put to deid, baith togidder on the castellhill, thair heidis strikin of, the thrid day of the parliament.

And that samyn tyme, Archebald of Dundas, brother till the said James of Dundas, stoffit the towr of Dundas, and said he suld de and it baith attanis, bot gif the king did thaim grace. And at the dissolwyne of the said parliament, the king baith send and come him self, and askit the said hous, and gat it nocht as than. And incontinent laide ase geze about it, that remanait quhill the latter end of April, and than it was gevin our, and all that war in it war put in the kingis grace. And thai war tane, and sum send till a castell, and sum till uthiris. And the hous was cassyn doune, and the stuf tharof partit betuix the king, and the erl of Douglas, schir William of Crechtoun, and schir George of Crechtoun.

M. CCCC. L.

THE yer of God m. cccc. and l. the xix day of Maii, quene Mary partit with barne in Strivling, xii ouldis befor hir tyme, and the barne lifft bot the space of sex houris.

ITEM, the said yer, in the moneth of Junii, thar was funding in Dunfermling a merwalous deid corse, in the ryping of ane wall. For first thar was found about him a kist of stane, and syne ane of tre, and syne a cape of leid, and syne clathis of gold and silk als fresch as evir thai war, and the cors hale in hyde and hewe, as it semyte bot of xviii yeris of age. And it was xi^{xx} yeris sen that wall was maide. And men demyt that it was a barne or cosing of Sanct Margarexis.

M. CCCC. LI.

THE yer of God m. cccc. li. in the moneth of Merche, the erl of Ros and lord of the Ylis tuke thir castellis of the

king, viz. Invernes, Ourcuart, and Rothwane in Badyenoch, and stuffit the castell of Invernes and Urquhart, and kest doune the castell of Rothwan in Badyenoch. And thai said that he gaf the keping of the castell of Urquhart till his gud fader, James of Levingstoun, that was eschapit subtelly fra the king and his counsall out of the abbay of Halyrudhous, and was cummand to the lord for supple and succour, that resavit him richt thankfully, and tuke plane part agane the king for him, and said he had the kingis wryt and walx to haf the castell of Urquhart for iii yer. And he said that the kingis awne person gart him mary the said James douchter, and hecht him gud lordschipe, the quhilke he had nocht gottin, bot evyn the contrare in all thingis.

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thai cryit him luftennent. And sone efter this thai worthit als strange as ever thai war. And at this tyme thai gat the erlis sele to consent to the trevis. And incontinent thai send furth Snawdoun the kingis herrod to Lundoun to bynd up the trevis. And als fast as schir James of Douglas gat wit hereof, he past till Londone incontinent, and quharfor men wist nocht redelye, bot he was thar with the king of Yngland lang tyme and was mekle maid of.

THE yer of God m. cccc. li, the xxv day Junii, thar was haldin a parliament in Edinburgh, be king James the secund. To the quhilke parliament the forsaid erle William of Douglas come, and put him, body landis and gudis, in the kingis grace. And the king resavit him till his grace, at

the request of the quene and the thre eftatis, and grantit him all his lordschippis agane, outtane the erldom of Wig-toun, that is to say Galloway fra the watter of Cre west, and Stewartoune, outtane the landis of Pedynnane, of the quhilk the erlis moder had conjunct feftment, and char-terit him new of all the laif of his lordschippis, and gaf him and all his a fre remissioun of all thingis bygane to the day forsaid. And all gud Scottis men war rycht blyth of that accordance.

THAT samyn yer, the privilege of the universite of Glasqw come to Glasqw, throw the instance of king James the secund, and throw instigacioun of master William Turnbull that tyme bischop of Glasqw, and was proclamit at the croce of Glafqw, on the Trinite sonday the xx day of June. And on the morne, thar was cryit ane gret indulgence, gevin to Glasqw at the request of thaim forsaid, be pap Nycholas, as it war the yer of Grace, and with all indulgens that thai mycht haf in Rome, contenand iiii monethis, begynnand the ix day of Julii, and durand to the x day of November.

THE samyn yer, the xvi day of August, thar was slane Jhon of Sandelandis sone and ar to the lard of Caldor, in that tyme bot xx yeris of age, and his eme James, and ane man with tham.

ITEM, that samyn yer and moneth, thar was drownit in the watter of Crawmond schir John Logane of Lestalrig knyght, of the age of xx yeris.

ITEM, that samyn yer, schir Patrik of Corntoun was slane in Dunbertane, on setterday the vii day of August, be Allane Hog that tyme portar.

THAT samyn yer, erill Williame of Douglas was slane in the castell of Strivling, be king James the secund that had the fyr merk in his face. The forsaide king James send out of Strivling, with William Lawder of Haltoun, a speciale assoverans and respit under his preve sele, and subscrivit with his awne hand. And all the lordis that war with the king that tyme, gaf bôdely aithis to kepe that respit and assoverance, and subscrivit ilk man with thair awne hand. And all the lordis that war with the king that tyme war oblist, supos the king wald brek the band forsaide, that thai suld let it at thair power. This beand done, the forsaide William of Lawder of Haltoun passit to the forsaide erill William of Douglas, and brocht him to Strivling to the king, on the mosunday befor fastrennisevyn, that was the xxi day of Februar. And this samyn monunday, he passit to the castell and spak with the king, that tuke richt wele with him be apperans, and callit him on the morne to the dyner and to the supper, and he come and dynit and sowpit. And thai said, thar was a band betuix the said erill of Dowglas, and the erill of Ros, and the erill of Craufurd. And efter supper, at seyyne houris, the king than beand in the inner chalmer and the said erill, he chargit him to breke the forsaide band. He said, he mycht nocht, nor wald nocht. Than the king said, fals tratour sen yow will nocht I sall, and stert sodanly till him with ane knyf, and straik him in at the coler, and down in the body. And

thai sayd that Patrik Gray straik him nixt the king, with
ane poll ax on the hed, and strak out his harnes. And syne
the gentillis that war with the king, gaf thaim ilkane a
straik or twa with knyfis. And thir ar the names that
war with the king that strake him, for he had xxvi
woundis. In the first, schir Alexander Boyd, the lord
Dernelie, schir Androw Stewart, schir William of Crenis-
ton, schir Symond of Glendonane, and the lord Gray, &c.

M. CCCC. LII.

THE yer of God m. cccc. lii. the xxvii day of Merche,
schir James of Douglas, erll James secund son, for the foule
slauchter of his brother erll William of Douglas, come on
Sanct Patrikis day in lentryn to Strivling, and blew out
xxiii hornis attanis, apon the king, and apon all the lordis
that war with him that tyme, for the foule slauchter of
his brother, and schewe all thair selis, at the cors, on
ane letter, with thair handis subscrivit, and tuke the letter,
and band it on ane burd, and cuplit it till ane hors tale,
and gart draw it throu the towne, spekand richt sclander-
fully of the king and all that war with him that tyme,
and spulyeit all the toune, and brint it. And thar was
with him, his brother the erll of Ormond, and the lord
Hammitoun, and na ma lordis, and thai excedit nocht of
gud men vi^c. All this tyme, the king was into Perth,
passand to the erll of Craufurd.

THE BATTLE OF BRECHYNE.

ITEM, about that samyn tyme, the xviii day of Maii, thar
met and faucht in the feld, on the mure besyd Brechyne,
the erll of Craufurd callit Allexander, the erll of Huntlis

callit Alexander. And thar was with the erll of Huntlie fer ma than was with the erll of Craufurd, becaus he displayit the kingis banir, and said it was the kingis actioun, and he wes his lufteffend. And schortlie the erll of Huntlie wan the feld, and slewe the erll of Craufurdis brother callit Jhon Lindesay of Brechyne, and the lard of Dundas, and uthir syndry gentill men wele till 111^{xx} of cotarmouris on that syd. And on that uthir syd, William of Setoun the erllis brother, and uthir thre or four of gentill men, and v or sex of yemen. And the erll of Huntlie held the feld, and raid in Angus, with thre or four thousand with him. And the erll of Craufurd

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THAT samyn yer, thar was ane parliament haldin in Edinburgh, the xii day of Junii, be king James the secund. And thar was forfaltit Alexander Lyndesaye the erll of Craufurd and lord Lyndesay, baith land lyf and gudis. And in that samyn parliament, thar was put on the nycht on the parliament hous dur, ane letter undir schir James of Douglas sele, and the sele of the erll of Ormond, and schir James Hammiltonnis, declynand fra the king, sayand that thai held nocht of him nor wald nocht hald with him, with mony uthir sclanderous wordis, calland tham tratouris that war his secret counsall. And than this parliament was continewit for xv dayis, and chargit all maner of man till be at Edinburgh, baith on fut and hors, ilk man for himself, baith in burgh and land, undir the pane of ded and tinsall of thair landis.

THE quhilk day, thai apperit all and semblit at Pentland mur, and war noumerit xxxⁿ. And the king him self passit on southwart with the ost to Peblis, Selkrig, Drumfres, and uthir syndry partis, and did na gud, bot destroyit the cuntre richt fellonly baith of cornes medowis and vittalis, and heriit mony bath gentillmen and uthiris that war with him self.

ITEM, thar was maid in the forsaid parliament, thre erlis, viz. schir James Crechtoun son and air to schir William of Crechton, that sposit the eldest sister of Murray, was beltit erll of Murray. Item, the lord Hay and constable of Scotland was beltit erll of Eroll. Item, schir George of Crechtoun was beltit erll of Caithnes. Item, thar was maid vi or vii lordis of the parliament and banrentis. In the first, the lord Dernelie, the lord Halis, the lord Boyd of Kilmernok, the lord Flemynge of Cummyrnald, the lord Borthuik of that ilk, the lord Lyle of Dowchale, the lord of Cathcart of that ilk. Item, the lord of Lorne, Jhon Stewart, talyeit all his landis to the male and surname, in the said parliament. Item, the lord of Cathcart deit in the samyn tyme. Item, schir George of Crechtoun annexit all his landis to the erldome of Caithnes, that samyn tyme. Item, thar was syndry landis gevin to syndry men, in this parliament, be the kingis secret counsall, that is to say, the lord Cambell, to schir Colyne Cambell, to schir Alexander Home, to schir David Home, to schir James Keyr, and till uthir syndry war rewardit be the said secret counsall, the quhilk men demyt wald noct stand.

ANE thousand cccc. lii. the xxix day of August, thar was cummand to the cathederall kirk, master George of Lawder that tyme bischope of Ergyle, fra his castall of Auchindoun, efter that he had bene in the ile of Lesmor that tyme xxx dayis and mair. And thar was in his company, that samyn tyme, master Hercules Skrymgeour persoun of Glassar, schir Jhon M^cArthour, and schir Adam his perrische preist, and Alexander Skrymgeour the personis brothir, and the lordis awne servandis of houshald, and nane utheris, for the lord come for gud trety and trastit nain evill. This person forsaid brocht ane summondis apon schir Gilbert M^cLachane, that tyme chanceller of the forsaid cathedrall kirk, and apon schir Morys M^cFadyane, that tyme the saurer of the said kirk. The quhilk schir Gilbert and schir Morys gadderit all hale the Clanlachane, and all uthiris that thai mycht purches, and send to thir men word, that the forsaid bischop come with the forsaid clerk, and put thaim out of thar benefice, and to put in the forsaid master Hercules. And thus thai informit the peple wranguisly and begylit thaim, for the person had no thing bot a summondis apon schir Gilbert, and apon schir Morys M^cFadyan, for a sentence diffinitive that thai gaf aganis him of his benefice that he had joysit peaceably xv yer, with schir Gotheray M^cForsan. Becaus that this summondis was apon his chennonis, the lord passit in proper persoun till haf maid gud tretye. And als fast as this lord with thir personis forsaid come ner the kirk within the quarter of ane myle, the forsaid schir Gilbert and schir Morys come with all the power that thai mycht be, in fere of were, apon the forsaid lord the bischop and his company, and spak till him

self richt dispuoslie with felloun wordis and scorne, and for dispyte halsit him in errische, sayand bannachadee, and dispytfully reft fra him the forsaid master Hercules, and pullit him fra his hors, and brak the lordis belt, and tuke the clerke ande his brother and harllit and led thaim away ryght dispytfully, and band the gentill man and thocht to strik of his hed. And quhen this foul supres was done till God and haly kirk, than the lord wald haf past on his fute till his kirk, thai stert befor him, sayand that and he schupe to gang thair away, that thai suld sla him and all that war with him. And thai war all about him, and wald noct lat him pas ony gait, till he was oblist till assolye thaim of all thing that than was done thar. And for dreid of his lyf and his mennis he grantit, throw consall of Rure Alanson and uthiris that war with him. And than thai come with a flyrdome, and said that thai come for na ill of him ne his childer. And thai held the clerk and his brothir, and on the morne gart thaim swer that thai suld never follow him, nothir of summondis, nor of uthir thing that was done to thaim be thaim self na na uthiris, bot held thair bullis and thair silver and a silkyne twys and all uthir graith that thai had that was oucht worth, viz. gownis clokis hudis bannettis and uthir small geir.

M. CCCC. LIII.

ITEM, the yer of God M. CCCC. LIII. in the moneth of September, deit Alexander Lyndesay erl of Craufurd in Fynevyn, that was callit a rigorously man and ane felloun, and held ane gret rowme in his tyme. For he held all

Angus in his bandoun, and was richt inobedient to the king.

M. CCCC. LIV.

ITEM, M. CCCC. LIII. thar decesit, in the moneth of August, Gilbert Hay erll of Errol.

ITEM, the samyn yer and moneth, thar decessit in Edinburgh schir George of Crechtoun. And in the samyn moneth and yer, schir James lord of Crechtoun decessit at Dunbar, and it was haldin fra the king a litill quhile, and syne gevin till him. And in the samyn moneth and yer, decessit Jhon Hammiltoun that was callit Quhissilbery, and was a licht man in his tyme. Item, in the samyn yer and moneth, decessit in Sterling Androw Cunnynghame, sone and air till William of Cunnynghame of Glengernok. And the samyn Androw spousit Margaret Cambell, schir Duncane lord Cambellis douchter, and tuke viii^c merkis of toucher, and arit the land.

AND in the samyn moneth and yer, decessit schir Alexander Ramsay lord of Dalhousy. And in the samyn moneth and yer, decessit Jhon of Park lard of that ilk. Item, that samyn yer and moneth, decessit schir William Keith, that was callit ane gentill knycht and a vertuose. Item, the samyn yer and moneth, the lard of Jhonstonis twa sonnis tuk the castall of Lochmabane apon the lard of Mouswald, callit Carudderis, and his ii sonnis, and othir twa or thre men, and all throu tressoun of the portar. And syne the king gaf tham the keping of the hous to his prophet, and how that was men ferleit.

THAR was ane richt gret spait in Clyde the xxv day and xxvi day of November, the whilk brocht doun haile houssis bernis and millis, and put all the town of Govane in ane flote, quhill thai sat on the houssis.

M. CCCC. LV.

THE yer of God m. cccc. lv. in the begynning of Merche, James the secund kest doune the castell of Inveravyne, and syne incontinent past till Glasqw, and gaderit the westland men, with part of the Areschery, and passit to Lanerik and to Douglas, and syne brynt all Douglasdale, and all Avendale, and all the lord Hammiltonnis landis, and heriit them clerlye, and syne passit till Edinburgh, and fra thin till the forest, with ane ost of lawland men. And all that wald noct cum till him furthwith, he tuke thair gudis and brynt thair placis, and tuke faith of all the gentillis clerlie. And all this tyme the lord Hamiltoun was in Yngland till have gottyn suple, and couth get nane, bot gif the Douglas and he wald have bene Ynglis men, and maid the aith. And incontinent efter, the king passit in proper persoun, and put ane sege till Abercorn. And within vii days, lord Hammiltoun come till him till Abercorne, and put him lyf landis and gudis in the kingis will purelie and sempillye, throw the menys of his eme James of Levingstoun that tyme chalmerlane of Scotland. And the king resavit him till grace, and send him on incontinent with the erll of Orknay that tyme chancellor of Scotland, till remane in warde in the castell of Roslyne at the kingis will. And thus he left the erll of Douglas all begylit, as men said. And men wist not grathlie quhar

the Douglas was. All this tyme the king remanit still at the sege, and thar was mony hurt and nane slane, till sanct Georgis daye, outtane Allane Pantour, that was that tyme the mast ingenious man that was in Scotland and mast subtell in mony divers thingis, and was slane with ane ganye throu misgovernynge of him self, and was richt mekle menyt be the king and mony uthir lordis. Thus the king remanit still at the sege, and gart strek mony of the towris doun with the gret gun, the quhilke a Franche man schot richt wele, and falyeit na shot within a faldome quhar it was chargit him to hit. And

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The king gadderit ane gret ost, and past in Yngland, and did gret scaith, and wan mony towris and housis.

ITEM, the xiij day of Maii, James the brothir of erll William of Douglas that was slane in the castell of Striving come to Knapdale, and spak thar with the erll of Ros and lord of Ilis, and maid thaim all richt gret rewardis of wyne clathis silver silk and Ynglis clath, and thai gaf thaim mantillis agane. And quhat was thar amangis thaim was counsall to connvines, and thai demyt ill all.

ITEM, that samyn moneth and yer, schir George of Crechtoun resignit all his conquest landis in the kingis handis and maid him his air. And within vi days, James of Crechtoun sone and air to the said George of Crechtoun, take the castell of Blacknes and his fader, in contrar of

the king. And incontinent the king in proper persoun put ane sege to the Blacknes, and lay at it ix or x dayis, and than it was gevin our be trety. And schir George was put to Methfen, and gaf him the landis of Strathurd for the landis that he had conquest in Louthiane.

THE herschipe of Inverkip be Donald of the Ylis, viz. Baloch, with the power of the ilis with him. And thai said Jhon of Douglas, ane bastard sone till Archebald erll of Douglas, was with thaim. Thai war v^{xx} of galays wele tald and ma, and of men v or vi thousand. This herschipe was done the said yeir, the x day of Julii. And thar was slane of gude men xv, and of wyfis twa or thre, and of barnis thre or four, and of hors v or vi^c, and of oxin and ky x^m and ma, and of schepe and gait a thousand and ma. And thai brynt that tyme certane townis in Inverkep, viz. about the kirk. Item, this said Donald with his ost of the ilis heriit all Arane, and wan the castell of Braudwik, and kest it down to the erd, and heriit baith the Ilis of Cerayes the samyn tyme. Item, thai tuke crauchmet of Bute the samyn tyme, viz i^c bollis of male, i^c bollis of malt, i^c mertis, i^c merkis of silver.

M. CCCC. LVI.

ITEM, M. CCCC. LVI. Cunynghame and Dalrumpill faucht in the barras of Strivling befor king James the secund.

THE samyn yer the thrid day of December, thar decesit in Glasqw master William Turnbull bischope of Glascw, that brocht haim the perdoun of it.

ITEM, that samyn yer the last day of August, deit in Glasqw master Walter Stewart that was lord provand.

ITEM, that samyn yer and moneth, decessit in Brechyne master Jhone Crennok bischop of Brechyne, that was callit a gude actif and vertuis man, and all his tyme wele governand.

M. CCCC. LIX.

THE yer of God m. cccc. LIX. the penult day of Junii, decessit at Paslay Thomas Tarvas abbot of Paslay, the quhilk was ane richt gud man, and helpyk to the place of ony that ever was. For he did mony notable thingis, and held ane noble hous, and was ay wele purvait. He fand the place all out of gud rewle, and destitut of leving, and all the kirkis in lordis handis, and the kirk unbiggit, the body of the kirk fra the bricht stair up, and put on the ruf. He biggit and theckit it with sclait, and riggit it with stane, and biggit ane gret porcioun of the steple, and ane staitlie yethous, and brocht hame mony gud jowellis, and clathis of gold silver and silk, and mony gud bukis, and maid staitlie stallis, and glasynnit mekle of all the kirk, and brocht hame the staitliest tabernakle that was in all Scotland, and the mast costlie. And schortlie he brocht all the place to fredome, and fra nocht till ane mychti place, and left it out of all kynd of det, and at all fredome till dispone as thaim lykit, and left ane of the best myteris that was in Scotland, and chandillaris of silver, and ane lettren of bras, with mony uthir gud jowellis.

ITEM, the xvi day of August, king James the secund maid

his first vayage in Yngland, with vi^c thousand men, and brynt and heriit xx mylis within the land, and wan and distroyit xvii towris and fortaliceis, and remanit on the ground of Yngland vi days and vi nychtis. And thar persewit thaim never Ynglisman with ill, nother be day nor nycht, and come hame with gret worschip, and tynt nocth a man of valour.

ITEM, incontinent the Ynglismen war gadderit wele till IIII or v^c thousand, and come to the marche, and thar discordit and passit hame with ane gret velany, viz. the duke of York, the erl of Salisbery, with mony uthir syndry gret lordis of the land.

M. CCCC. LX.

THE yer of God m. cccc. lx. the thrid sonday of August, king James the secund with ane gret oist was at the sege of Roxburgh, and unhappely was slane with ane gun the quhilk brak in the fyring, for the quhilk was gret dolour throu all Scotland. And never the les all the lordis that war thar remanit still with the oist, and on the fryday efter, richt wysly and manfully wan the forsaid castell, and tynt nocth a man may in the wynnnyng of it.

AND than thai lordis incontinent send till Edinburgh for the prince. And the said prince, with his moder the quene, and bischopis and uthir nobillis, come to Kelso on the fryday efter the deid of the king, and remanit thar quhill he was crounit, and quhill the forsaid castell was wastit and distroyit. And on the sonday efter, he was crounit

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in to Keko. And the forsayd lordis passit to the castell of Werk, and sone thair wan that castell, and incontinent kest it doun to the erd and distroyit it for ever. Item, in the tyme of the coronacioun of the kyng, thair was maid ma than a hundred knyghtis.

ITEM, in the moneth of Januar in the yer forsayd, the prince of Yngland and the quene of Yngland come in Scotland, to get help and suple aganis the duke of Yorke. And thair come to Drumpres, and the quene of Scotland, the duke of Gillerlandis dochter, met the forsayd prince and his moder at Kynclouydane, and thair remanit thair togidder x or xii days. And thair said thair war spekand of mariage betuix the forsayd prince and king James the thridis sister, and sum said that thair war accordit on baith the sydis. And in the meyne tyme, the duke of York and the erll of Salisbery and the dukis son war slane, with uthir divers lordis of thair company.

THE yer of God m. cccc. lx. the erll of Ergyle Colyne Cambell passit in Lorne, for the redempcioun of his cosing Jhon Keir of Lorne, the quhilik was tane be his brother Allane of Lorne of the Wod, sister son to Downe Balloch. And schortlie this erll forsayd with his oist come to the ile of Kerewra, quhar this Allane had his brother in festynans. And his entent was to distroye him, that he mycht have succedit to the heretage. And schortlie thair come sa suddanlie upon the forsayd Allane in the said ile, that he mycht nocht pas away with his schippis, in the quhilikis war a hundred men, and this said Jhon Keir was bound.

And his men was slane to the noumer of iii or v^{xx} , and brynt thar schippis, and redemit his cosing and restorit him to his lordschip. And the tother chapit richt narowly with his lyf, and iii or v personis. And this was the first slauchter after the deid of king James the second.

THE samyn yer the xxiii day of Februar, king James the thrid held his first parliament at Edinburgh, to the quhilk parliament come thir lordis under writtin, that is to say, the lord of Ylis and erl of Ros, and all the lardis of the ilis, lord Dernlie, and the lord Kalendar, the lord Ham-miltoun. And thai did litill gud in the forsaid parliament, bot that thai ordanit sessionis to sit, first at Aberdene, syne in Perth, syne in Edinburgh. And thai left the king in keping with his moder the quene, and governyng of all the kinrik. And therfor the lordis said that thai war littil gud worth, bath spirituale and temporall, that gaf the keping of the kinrik till a woman. And incontinent the quene efter this parliament put in new keparis in the castellis of Edinburgh Strivling and Dunbar, viz. in Edinburgh Androwe Keyr, in Dunbar lord Halis, in Blaknes and Strivling Robert Liddale.

ITEM, the said quene, efter the deid of king James the secund, tuke master James Lyndesay for principale counsallour, and gart him kepe the preve sele, nochtwithstanding that the said master James was excludit fra the counsall of the forsaid king and fra the court, and for his verray helynes, and had bene slane for his demeritis had nocht bene he was redemit with gold.

ITEM, efter the deid of the forsaid king, the lord of Ylis past till Invernes, and tuke the kingis fermes and all vittalis of the kingis, and proclamit all the gudis and the landis of the kingis intill his handis, and gaf remissionis and respittis. And for thir causis he was summond to the parliament under the pane of forfalt, and comperit nocht. And than thai supersedit his caus quhill the feist of sanct Jhon the baptist, and continewit the forsaid parliament till that day, to be haldin in Aberdene.

ITEM the lord of Curthous come till Edinburgh till

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